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## ZERO HOUR NEAR, MARINE UNIONS FOR PEACE

### 4000 Throng Empty Lots To Hear Ford, Denied Hall In L. A.

#### NEGRO, WHITE PEOPLE CHEER C.P. CANDIDATE

#### Ford Exposes The Fascist Nature Of Landon

LOS ANGELES—"The people of Los Angeles are determined to fight for their democratic rights," said James W. Ford, Communist Party candidate for Vice-President, here Sunday night as he addressed a wildly cheering crowd of more than 4,000 persons who stood more than two hours in vacant lots across the street from the hall that had been denied them by a guard of scores of police.

When weak-kneed Joe Bernbaum, owner and manager of the Eastside Auditorium, bowed to police pressure and cancelled through his attorney a contract held by the Communist Party since the middle of September, it was supposed by the reactionary forces that the Ford meeting had been spiked.

But the facts to the contrary became evident when as early as five o'clock hundreds of militant citizens began to pack the vacant lots opposite the auditorium, which had been previously

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#### Labor To Picket Landon Offices

MARTINEZ.—Contra Costa County organized labor will picket the Landon-Knox political headquarters.

The Contra Costa County Central Labor Council adopted plans for this action after a Landon advertisement appeared in the Martinez Herald, which was a vicious attack on organized labor's strikes.

The advertisement was sponsored by the "Jeffersonian Democrats of Northern California," but the Labor Council learned that the Republican Central Committee paid for it. The advertisement was attacked by the Council as "an insult to organized labor."

#### Challenge Fascist Priest To Answer

"I accuse Father Coughlin, the man behind Gerald L. K. Smith, of conspiring with William Randolph Hearst to prepare a Fascist attack on American democracy," declared Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, in his nation-wide broadcast to the youth last Friday night.

"I hereby challenge Father Coughlin to come up to the platform of the Olympic Stadium in his own city of Detroit, when I speak there on October 27th, and answer our charges!" In Columbus, Ohio, Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes stated in a nation-wide broadcast that evidence exists of an actual working alliance between Governor Alfred M. Landon and Father Charles E. Coughlin, whom Ickes described as the "Detroit Fascist."

Ickes said William S. Hard, (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 7)

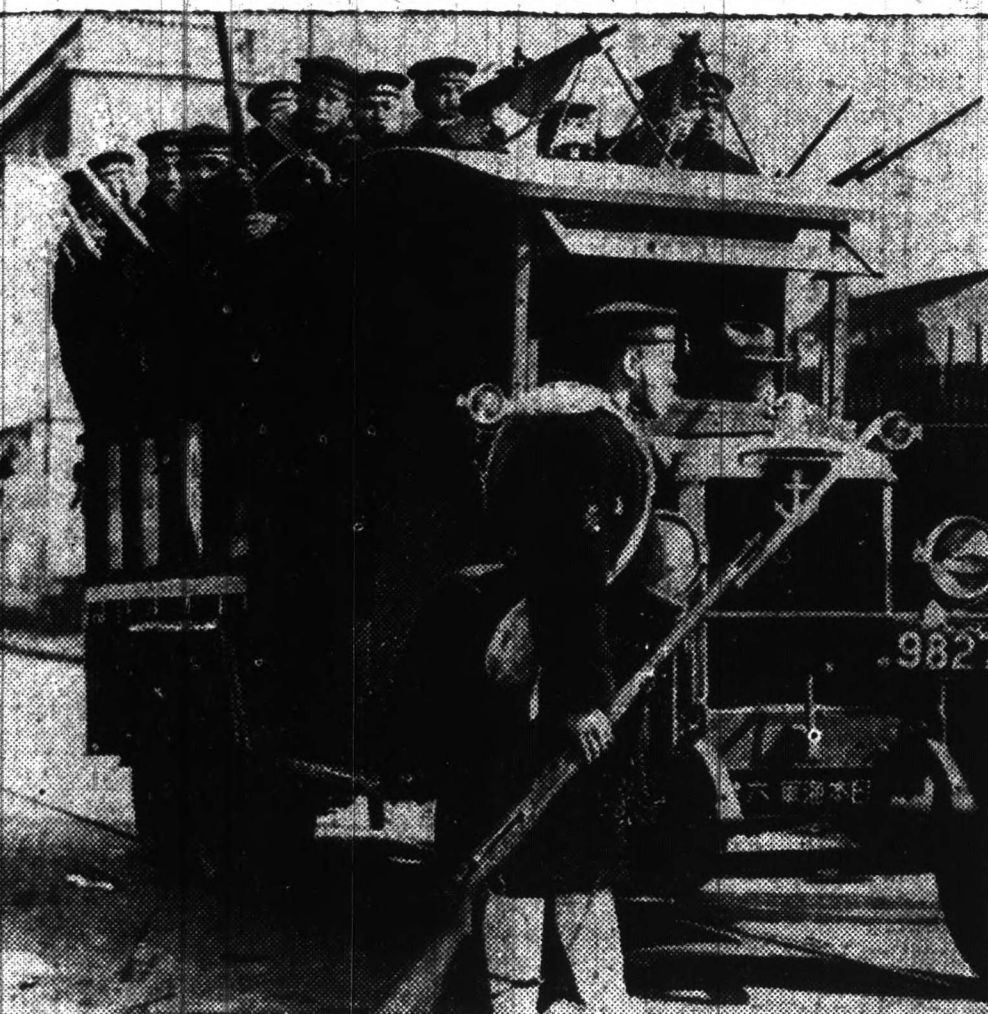
#### BIG WAREHOUSEMEN'S STRIKE LOOMS IN BAY AREA

SAN FRANCISCO.—The "tough" attitude of the grocery cold storage, commercial and grain warehouse employers may bring about a showdown on Thursday, October 15.

A strike of 500 members of the Warehousemen's Union in these houses is a distinct possibility on that date and strike was to take place Wednesday.

The Warehousemen's Union, I.L.A. Local 38-44, has been con-

#### THEIR WINGS MUST BE CLIPPED!



THEIR BAYONETS ARE their calling cards. Unwelcome visitors as far as the Chinese people are concerned, are these Japanese marines, who have just taken over a part of Shanghai in Japanese imperialism's drive to make a colony out of all China. If Japanese militarists have their eyes on Soviet soil too, but they'll get the trimming of their lives if they try anything.

#### USSR UNMASKS FASCISTS' AID HAT UNION HAS AFL PEACE PLAN

#### Miners Blasting Out Fascists At Oviedo

MOSCOW.—Far from retreating before the outburst of fury and hatred in the Fascist nations' camp, the Soviet Union is continuing its campaign to force Germany, Italy and Portugal to stop aiding the Spanish Fascists.

Pravda, organ of the U.S.S.R., condemned the international neutrality committee for failing to take firm action.

"The Soviet government's statement handed to the London committee, not only nailed the interventionists to the cross of shame," declared Pravda, "but smashed the plot of silence which the other powers attempted to maintain regarding violation of the non-intervention agreement."

"The Soviet government's action in unmasking the true character of this 'neutrality' caused an outburst of fury and hatred in the camp of the supporters of

#### Unions Give Big Sums To Salinas

SAN FRANCISCO.—One thing that has meant much to the Salinas lettuce strikers is the kind of financial support that has been coming from San Francisco unions.

Donations ranging up to \$100 are too numerous to mention.

But there have been many donations of larger sums. The Chauffeurs Union, for instance has given \$150. Painters Local 1158 has sent \$101.18 direct to the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union in Salinas. Journeymen Tailors Local 80 has sent \$104 to the strikers.

Bakery Local 24 gave \$100, and its sister local 119 gave another \$100.

These are only a few of the contributions from San Francisco unions in the past week.

#### Urges Council Submit Case to Convention

NEW YORK.—Praising Max Zaritsky, its secretary-treasurer, for his personal affiliation with the Committee for Industrial Organization, the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers Union in convention here has offered new proposals for unity in the A.F.L.

The convention's proposals are: That the A.F.L. Executive Council permit the suspended C.I.O. unions representation at the coming A.F.L. convention in Tampa, submitting the whole case to the convention; and the setting up of a C.I.O. Executive Council sub-committee to explore the possibilities of reconciling the differences between the Council and the C.I.O.

The Cap Union is not affiliated with the C.I.O., although Zaritsky himself is.

In Washington, the session of the A.F.L. Executive Council was to consider these proposals. The Rhode Island Federation of Labor, at its convention, has endorsed the C.I.O.

#### E. Bay Machinists Strike Called Off

OAKLAND.—Forced to fight not only the employers, but strikebreaking actions by the international officials as well the East Bay machinists have called off their strike and returned to work.

About 800 of the original 2000 strikers were still out when the retreat was made.

The strike began on July 20, led by Local 284. Almost at once the Machinists' International organizer, Walter Nash, demanded that the strike be called off. On Nash's recommendation the Grand Lodge revoked local 284's charter, setting up a dual, strike-breaking local.

#### 2000 Utah Metal Miners Strike

SALT LAKE CITY.—All Utah metal mines are shut tight in a strike of 2000 members of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union.

The Cal-Pak closed its plant here last week, and threw 50 warehousemen out of work in a union "freeze-out" scheme.

#### SENTIMENT FOR SALINAS 48-HR. STRIKE GROWS

#### 600 Pickets March Through City Streets

SALINAS.—Indications are that the Culinary Alliance unions will favor a 48-hour general strike against the anti-picket ordinance and the employers' error.

Picketing continues to grow in size daily in the lettuce strike area. From 100 to 200 pickets concentrate each day at the Salinas Valley Ice Co. sheds.

The pickets continue to carry newspapers, shouting strike slogans as if they were calling off headlines from the papers.

Pickets in Parade  
Police Chief Griffin, stumped by this tactic, finally arrested one of the Salinas Valley Ice pickets on Sunday, in order to make a test case of the ordinance.

The jailed picket was 19-year-old Perry McTeague.

Forming at the barricaded sheds on Saturday night, 600 "newsboy" pickets marched three abreast through Salinas. Gas equipment was held in the itching hands of the police and vigilantes, but was not used.

Hundreds of strikebreakers who were expected to swarm in (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 5)

#### Browder To Blast Fascist Publisher

Hearst's Fascist dirty-work in the 1936 election campaign, behind the candidacy of Alf Landon, will be blasted and exposed by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, in his next coast-to-coast radio hook-up over the NBC on Friday, October 23rd, 7:45-8 p.m. October 24th has been named as "Anti-Hearst Day."

KPO, San Francisco, and KFI, Los Angeles, will release the broadcast in California.

With less than three weeks before the voters go to the polls on November 3rd, the California Election Campaign Committee of the Communist Party is issued an emergency appeal for donations to the People's Chest Against Reaction, to insure the schedule of national, state and local broadcasts going through.

Donations should be sent to 121 Haight St., San Francisco; County Campaign Headquarters, 230 South Spring St., Los Angeles; or any Communist Party headquarters.

#### Machinists Aid King With \$100

SAN FRANCISCO.—Solidarity to encourage the frameup victims in the Point Lobos case was given by Machinists Local 68, which donated \$150 to the King-Ramsay-Conner Defense.

Ferguson, acting secretary of the Marine Firemen of the Pacific, who took Earl King's place, visited the prisoners in Alameda County jail. King, Ramsay and Conner sent a message of thanks to the unions which have supported the defense.

Trial of King, Conner and Ramsay has been set for October 26.

#### SPAIN PEOPLES' LEADERS AT FRONT



DRESSED IN DENIM, Spanish Premier Largo Caballero (third from left) and Foreign Minister Alvarez Del Vayo (wearing glasses), with the workers' militia, who stood off the Fascists in the Guadarramas mountains.

#### GOP BACKING SILVER SHIRTS

#### "Western" Uncovers Direct Link Between Landon and KKK, Nazis, Silver Legion

By JAMES C. McLEAN  
LOS ANGELES.—Direct organizational contact between Silver Shirt William Dudley Pelley's avowed Fascism and the Fascism of presidential candidate Landon was exposed last week.

A Representative of the Western Worker has uncovered the organizational connection between the Republican Campaign Headquarters on the one hand and the Silver Legion of America, White Guards, Ku Klux Klan and Friends of New Germany, on the other.

Eugene R. Case, notorious Silver Shirt Lieutenant of William Dudley Pelley, was discovered to be actively working for the election of Landon, under supervision of prominent Republican campaign head, Macintyre Faries, who is in charge of the Field Department at Republican Headquarters, Rowan Building, 5th and Spring Streets.

Fascist Hide-out  
Operating behind a blank door of office 330 in the Associated Realty Building, 510 West 6th Street, with the walls liberally splashed with "patriotism" and Landon photographs, sits Captain (?) Case, racketeering Fascist.

Until a short time ago Case was out in the open as Pelley's No. 1 "red-baiter" and "Jew-bater" in Southern California, but is now functioning as quietly as possible, with the support and knowledge of the Republic (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 4)

#### Modesto Frameup Too Raw for Jury

SAN RAFAEL.—It was because the frameup was so obviously raw that a Marin County jury was deadlocked in the "dynamite stealing" trial of Alphonse Buyle and John Rodgers, two of the Modesto defendants.

The original frameup of the nine Modesto boys (eight of whom are in San Quentin and one in Folsom) was based on the "dynamite stealing charge, and the inability to convict Buyle and Rodgers on that charge here shows the flimsiness of the entire frameup.

The dynamite was alleged to have been stolen near here. Date for a second trial of Buyle and Rodgers will be set next Thursday.

#### BRIDGES TELLS LABOR OF I.L.A. PEACE EFFORTS

#### Shipowners Want To Actually Cut Wages On the Docks

SAN FRANCISCO.—How the maritime unions have done everything within reason to prevent a clash on the Pacific Coast waterfront was told by Harry Bridges to the San Francisco Central Labor Council last Friday night.

"Assistant Secretary of Labor McGrady asked us by phone, before leaving Washington, to continue negotiations at all costs. We submitted what we consider a fair compromise. We dropped most of our original demands—except preferential hiring and a raise in wages; we are willing to stick by the 1934 award.

"But the shipowners persist in wanting to lengthen the work day from six to eight hours, though they have dressed their proposal up so it will look like the 6-hour day (two six hour shifts).

Their proposal on hours would mean the earnings of the longshoremen would be cut in half, Bridges said. The shipowners call for two six hour shifts, with the longshoremen working two hours extra at straight time.

"The shipowners receded from (Cont. on Page 3, Col. 2)

#### High Court Again Hits Wage Law

WASHINGTON.—The U.S. Supreme Court, in its early hours of session, showed that it returns to the bench as reactionary a champion of employers as ever.

One of its first decisions was to reaffirm its decision of last spring declaring the New York minimum wage law for women unconstitutional.

The court rejected a joint plea of New York, Illinois and Massachusetts for a rehearing of the decision of last spring.

The Court will hear argument on a similar law existing in Washington state.

#### Salinas Citizens Rap Frameups

SALINAS.—Recent dynamiting and violence was the work of the Growers-Shippers' Association, according to attorney George Pollack, a leader of the Citizens Welfare League.

The Welfare League, consisting of over 1000 Salinas citizens angered by employers' violations of civil rights, continues to meet regularly, and its influence is growing.

The Monterey County Central Labor Council, seeking wide support of citizens throughout the state, has passed a resolution calling on the State Federation of Labor to aid the calling of mass meetings in San Francisco and Los Angeles, to bring the strikers' case before the widest public.

#### Trap Fla. Workers Into Salinas

SANFORD, Fla.—Negro laborers in the celery fields are being shipped to the Salinas strike area, celery growers here report.

The Negroes are not aware that a strike is on in Salinas, nor are they being told this before they ship out.

#### UNIONS CHARGE SHIPPERS WITH A CHEAP TRICK

#### Employers Suppress Part of I.L.A. Offer Of Compromise

SAN FRANCISCO.—Asked on Monday by the Maritime Commission to guarantee discipline among union members against violations of contract, the I.L.A. District Executive Board replied as follows by wire:

"After receiving your request through Assistant Secretary of Labor McGrady and in compliance with same, the I.L.A. district executive board now transmits to the Maritime Commission the same assurance we have already given the ship owners, that if agreements are negotiated between maritime unions and ship owners, the I.L.A. is willing, as we stated in the I.L.A. compromise proposal, to assume responsibility for keeping said contracts and enforcing same through suitable disciplinary measures."

The Commission, which indicated it will make proposals for settlement of the Pacific Coast maritime situation within 48 hours, announced it will not come to the West Coast, but will remain in Washington.

It is thought part of the commission's plan will be for further extending the truce after October 15th.

#### Jobless Insurance Is Threatened

SAN FRANCISCO.—As Oct. 15 truce deadline drew near, Harry Bridges, I.L.A. Pacific Coast District President, on Monday saw it extremely necessary that the Maritime Commission come to San Francisco, because of the shipowners' continuing stiff-necked attitude.

With the arrival here of Edward F. McGrady, assistant secretary of labor, negotiations continued between the unions and the shipowners' coast committee.

Hit Shipowners' Tactics  
The unions' joint negotiating committee charged the shipowners with deliberately unfair tactics in the way it made public (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 3)

#### Board Gives Citrus Wage Increase

SANTA ANA.—Mexican vegetable workers won wage demands of 30 to 35 cents an hour at a meeting of an arbitration board held in the Courthouse here, when they successfully opposed the offer of 25 cents per hour offered by Japanese growers.

While workers now are on the job under a truce agreement, growers stated they would resist the boost.

Lucas Lycio, Pablo Dela Cruz and Estaban Muniz, appeared for the workers. Other demands include recognition of collective bargaining, a nine-hour day and a guarantee of a full day's work when called to the fields.



# SHIPOWNERS' SECRET CIRCULAR DOESN'T DENY FASCISM; ADMIT KING FRAMEUP HASN'T WORKED

Also Admit That They, Employers Would Be Responsible For Any Violence On the Waterfront

SAN FRANCISCO—Secret circular dated Sept. 18th, addressed "To Our International Shippers and Consignees," the Encinal Terminals at Alameda, discloses some of the shipowners' plans for a lockout after Sept. 30th, and exposes the hypocrisy of their propaganda against the unions.

## FASCISTS ARE SQUELCHED IN FRANCE 'COUP'

Blum In New Pledge To Popular Front; Mosley Whipped

PARIS.—With Fascists rioting in Strasbourg in a futile attempt to halt rallies of the Communist Party, Leon Blum, Socialist and Premier of France, reaffirmed his loyalty to the People's Front in a speech at Lens in the stadium before 50,000.

"Ours is not a Socialist government," said Blum, "but a government of all parties of the People's Front."

"A majority in the People's Front is possible only through the loyalty of all of us."

Fascist Francois de la Rocque's followers tried to break up a meeting at the Bourse in the center of Strasbourg, where Maurice Thorez, general secretary of the French Communist Party, spoke, but mobile guards broke up their "putsch" attempt.

Plots "Putsch" At Valenciennes, De la Rocque spoke to 2000 members of his French "Social Party" and said it was time to "go into action," to "spill blood if necessary," proving that the Fascist leader had merely changed the name of his old "Croix de Feu" terrorist organization instead of breaking it up as ordered by the government and that he is plotting to duplicate Franco's "putsch" in Spain.

British Anti-Fascists Celebrate LONDON—Anti-Fascists staged a march celebrating defeat of Sir Oswald Mosley's Fascists the previous week, last Sunday here, while the Blackshirts unsuccessfully tried to break it up by throwing rocks and other missiles.

Communist Party members marching in the parade repeated the slogan of the Spanish People's Front fighting against the Fascists: "They shall not pass!" Police broke up Mosley's would-be storm-troopers, and the anti-Fascist parade continued to Victoria Park.

## S.F. Leading Drive For New Members

San Francisco shows the way in the first four weeks of the Browder-Ford Membership Drive of the Communist Party, with Oakland second.

Giving its backers considerable worry in the competition, Los Angeles was a poor third. Poor showings are also being made by San Diego, Sonoma, Santa Barbara, San Mateo, Stockton, Sacramento and Fort Bragg.

Here is the latest report:

Section	Pledged	Recruited
San Francisco	264	80
East Bay	208	36
Los Angeles	106	26
San Diego	0	3
Contra Costa	0	0
Sonoma	0	0
Eureka	0	1
Merced	0	9
Bakersfield	0	8
Santa Barbara	0	2
San Berdo	0	1
Santa Clara	0	1
San Mateo	3	4
Fort Bragg	0	0
Stockton	0	0
Fresno	0	0
Monterey	0	5
Sacramento	12	3
Tulare	0	0
Nevada	5	0
Arizona	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>184</b>

## Boss Who Shot At Butchers Goes Free

SAN FRANCISCO — Striking fish butchers got a sample of capitalist court justice when Joseph Balestreri, a stockholder of the International Fish Co., who took pot shot at pickets, was given a 60-day suspended sentence and set scot-free.

## GREETER IN CAL.



JAMES W. FORD, Communist vice-presidential candidate, who received big ovations in San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles.

## RR UNION HEAD FOR HOG-TYING MARINE BOARD

Favors a Compulsory Arbitration Set-Up As On Railways

SAN FRANCISCO—A system of compulsory arbitration—something the maritime workers will definitely not go for—has been proposed by C. W. Moffitt, acting chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in San Francisco.

Moffitt recommended for the maritime industry a Board similar to the U. S. Railway Mediation Board, created 15 years ago to end all strikes on the railroads through long arbitration and dilly-dallying.

Moffitt said that under the Railway Labor Act and the Board, there have been no strikes of any importance since 1922.

He failed to point out that the Railway Mediation Board through its compulsory arbitration set-up, has forced the railroad workers to accept the two big wage cuts since 1929, and layoffs amounting to over a million workers in the past 10 years or so, and now the railway consolidation plan, which will put hundreds of thousands more railroad workers on the streets.

Moffitt said that under the Railway Labor Act and the Board, there have been no strikes of any importance since 1922.

## Blast Shipowners For Trickery

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The I.L.A. compromise offer. The unions' committee stated: "The negotiating committee for the longshoremen is seriously disturbed about the unfair tactics employed by the coast committee for the shipowners and believes that all efforts to arrive at a compromise between the employers and the union are seriously jeopardized by such tactics."

There was an understanding that the sessions would be executive and that any compromise offered by both sides could be freely advanced in tentative fashion and would not bind either party. For this reason, while the union has kept its various locals fully informed, none of the exchanges have been made public. The employers on the other hand, have released both the union's compromise as well as the employers' compromised proposals to the press.

"What is far worse, the employers' release is absolutely false and misleading in that it eliminated entire sections and paragraphs of other sections from the union's compromise proposals. Thus section 10 and very important parts of section 11 of the union's compromise proposal have been left out entirely from the document released by the coast committee under the heading 'Comparison of proposals by employers, I.L.A. with award provisions.'"

"It is significant that at the same time these omissions were made in the coast committee's document, handbills were distributed on the water front, charging Harry Bridges, the president of the I.L.A. Pacific Coast district, with leaving important items out of the union's compromise offer. This is an unwarranted and malicious attack not only on the president of the Pacific Coast district, but on the entire executive board. It is an obvious attempt to cause dissension between the maritime unions and is therefore condemned by every member of the I.L.A. executive board of the Pacific Coast district."

"Some omissions of the union's proposal were evidently made so that the false and inaccurate arguments of the Coast committee used in this document would not be revealed in their true light. This attempt to mislead the gen-

# G. O. P. BACKS SILVER SHIRTS AND OTHER FASCIST OUTFITS TO PUSH LANDON'S CAMPAIGN

Pelley's No. 1 "Red-Baiter" and "Jew-Hater" In South California, Is Tie-Up Man In Republican Party Set-Up

(Continued From Page One) can Party, as the secretary and organizer of a flock of "dummy" Democratic clubs, combined under the title, "The United for America League." This set-up is being used not only to tie up Fascist activities but also to garner donations and to maneuver Democratic support to Landon.

Further investigation has brought to light the fact that Louis Lombardi, office 328, and Lindsay Dickey, office 323, attorneys in the Associated Realty Building along with David D. Sallee, attorney, located at 403 West 8th Street, are all members of the organizational committee lending their names and support in building up this "Sunflower-Swastika" United for America League.

All Would-Be Hitlers All three are registered members of the Republican Party, and are right at home with "Silver Shirt" Gene Case, as he also is a registered Republican.

That Case is manipulating these fake Democratic clubs, which are but little better than fancy names on scab stationery, with the complete support and knowledge of the Landon-Hearst machine, is proved by the fact that, through information supplied by Farley, head of the Field Department (who was under the impression that \$50 of good Democratic money was to be donated to the Case organization and the Republican cause), the Western Worker representative was able to secure the blank-door address of Case at Room 330 on West 6th Street.

"Special" Fascism Additional proof that Case is working under the guidance of Republican Headquarters is forthcoming in that Harold Schellenberger, President of the Republican Campaign Committee, phone Michigan 15128, knows of the "special type of work" the organization is performing.

Schellenberger also "personally" knows and will vouch for V. V. Sanderson, treasurer of the Case organization and manager of the Associated Realty Building, where the "United for America" has headquarters.

Says Schellenberger: "Sanders can be trusted to put to good use any and all donations toward the election of Landon."

In justice to Schellenberger, we add that he crestfallenly admitted that Republican Headquarters has no official check on funds of this organization, and he refused to vouch for the personal honesty of Case.

Not Enough "Sugar" Case, when interviewed, was just as disappointed as Schellenberger, but his disappointment arose from his inability to get his fingers on the "dough" at

"Election Jamboree" Is Scheduled For Sunday Night

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SAN FRANCISCO.—As reward for shock-brigades in the election campaign and in National Mobilization Day Sunday, the Communist Campaign Committee is holding an Election Jamboree this Sunday, October 18th, 7 p.m. to midnight, at 121 Haight St.

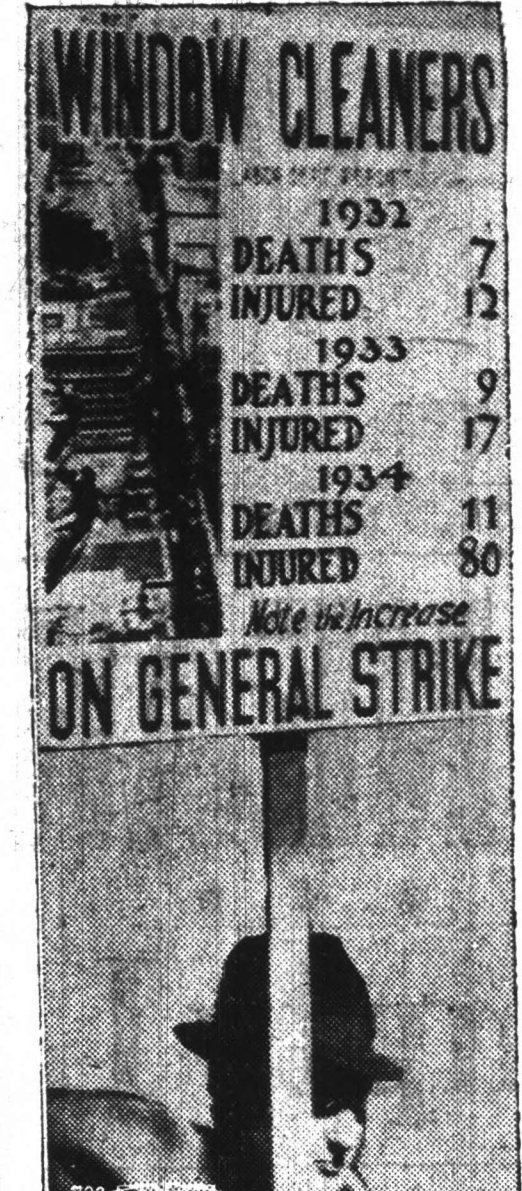
"Millions of us," a people's film, will be shown, the Waterfront Bard will sing sea chanteys, and a Russian Balalaika Orchestra will furnish dancing tunes. Admission is 25 cents. Special honor pins will be presented to friends giving outstanding service to the election campaign.

eral public is also bitterly, re-sented by the entire membership of the executive board of the Pacific Coast district.

"We have been making every effort to give the shipowners no excuse for a lockout resulting in a tieup and if such tactics on the part of the Coast committee make our efforts futile, the general public should also be informed as to the responsibility of the Coast committee of the shipowners in this respect."

"We are issuing this statement in order to make clear our position to our own members, the members of the other maritime unions, as well as to the general public."

## UNION PROJECTS



STRIKING WINDOW CLEANERS in New York, and what they struck for. Building Maintenance Workers Union is gaining fast in California, especially around Los Angeles, as reports in Western Worker have shown.

## STATE GRANGE WILL CONVENE OCTOBER 20TH

Much Sentiment In The Local Granges Vs. Vigilantism

EUREKA.—The California State Grange, representing farmers in local Granges throughout the state, will meet in convention here on Oct. 20th.

Much sentiment against vigilantism has been shown by local Granges. This will undoubtedly be an important question at the state convention.

George Sehlmyer, State Master of the Grange, was a delegate to the Stockton Agricultural Conference last June, and has shown a progressive attitude toward organization of the agricultural workers.

## 4000 Hear Ford In L.A. Meeting

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rented by those who have been made wise to the underhanded practices of the Los Angeles police force.

At 8:30 p. m. when Ford began to speak, the crowd of more than 4000 Negro and white workers had overflowed on all sides of the lots, and he was greeted with wild acclaim as he, in his first words, complemented his audience for their militant stand.

Americans Aver Liberty "The great section of the American people are ready to listen to the Communist Party and defend American liberties today," said Ford.

"Forces that are trying to prevent such meetings as this are not going to get away with it. The forces of reaction are gathering in this country, but the forces of progress are organizing. The central issue in this election is Democracy against Fascism. Whether we shall have reaction or progress depends upon the broad masses of the people rallying around a Farmer-Labor Party, the main force to defeat reaction," Ford told the approving thousands.

The high point of enthusiasm was reached when Ford denounced Hearst as the spearhead of Fascism in America.

# PRESSMEN IN SLAP AT DOG COLLAR ACT

S.F. Labor Council Hears 'Maritime Mirror' Blasted

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco Central Labor Council, on motion of delegate Charlotte of the Masters, Mates and Pilots was instructed last Friday to wire the Maritime Commission to come to San Francisco to avert, and if possible stop any further moves on the part of the waterfront employers to institute industrial warfare on the Pacific Coast.

Any report that Machinists Local 284 of Oakland will be absorbed by the dual, strikebreaking local 124, is untrue, the Council was informed last Friday night by the delegate from the Oakland machinists.

Local 284, which has just ended its strike, had its charter revoked by the reactionaries of the Grand Lodge, who set up the dual local to break the strike.

Pressmen Hit Copeland Act The Can Makers Union, recently set up, reported that it is seeking an agreement granting the 40-hour week and preferential hiring, among other demands.

The Webb Pressmen announced that they had adopted a resolution condemning the Copeland "dog collar" act, and sent it to President Roosevelt, thus showing their solidarity with the maritime unions.

Two delegates—Ferguson of the Marine Firemen and O'Grady of the Masters, Mates and Pilots, blasted the "Maritime Mirror," the new suspicious red-baiting sheet pretending to speak for the "rank and file" on the waterfront.

Ferguson said the Firemen's membership meeting had gone on record not to read the sheet. O'Grady said the "Maritime Mirror" smells to high heaven."

The delegate from Bakers Local 24 reported that there are now 275 members in the Candy and Confectionery Workers Union, a section of the bakers; 99 joined at one recent meeting.

## CHALLENGE TO FR. COUGHLIN

Coughlin-Landon Tie Proved By Ickes

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radio commentator for the Republican National Committee, has acted as "liaison officer between the Republican and the Father Coughlin-Lemke forces."

In Chicago, Dr. F. E. Townsend continued his betrayal of his old-age pension organization and of the fight for old-age pensions by issuing a statement urging votes for Landon in those states where William Lemke, candidate of Coughlin's Union Party, will not be on the November 3rd ballot.

Townsend said it was "imperative" that Roosevelt be defeated, thereby playing directly into the hands of the Hearst-Liberty League gang, the worst enemies of old-age pensions.

Hitler Also 'Promised' Governor Landon continued his reactionary attacks on the New Deal. He would balance the budget by "efficient administration" and by ending wholesale waste and extravagance."

Although "promising" he would not cut out relief appropriations, Landon's record in Kansas, where he considers \$1.08 sufficient relief per week for a family of five, completely exposed the G.O.P. candidate's "promises" as thinner than hot air.

## Shippers Proposals

(Reprinted from I.L.A. Local 38179 Bulletin)

The shipowners propose a six-hour day which means an eight-hour day. If they ask for relief gangs at 3:00 o'clock and none are available the same gangs will continue work until 5:00 o'clock under straight time pay. The second proposal is to install an impartial observer in the hiring hall, to be appointed by the Dept. of Labor, to be paid jointly. This will be a needless expense, particularly in the smaller localities. The third, drastic penalties to enforce the "living-up-to" the ward. These penalties are similar to the penalties which the membership voted NOT to arbitrate.

## Counter-Proposals

Provides for the 6-hour day identical with the 1934 award—wages to be \$1.00 and \$1.50—the hiring hall to be operated jointly by the Labor Relations Committee—dispatchers to be elected by the I.L.A.—preference of employment to I.L.A. Pacific Coast members. In order to adjust beefs the I.L.A. proposes the following in place of the shipowners' drastic penalties:

1. In case a dispute arises, the work shall continue under the same conditions prior to the time the dispute arose. First, an I.L.A. representative would be called. If he could not settle it the question would be submitted to an I.L.A. committee set up for that purpose. If this committee could not settle it the matter would be referred to the Labor Relations Committee.
2. No man shall be asked to work with or under unsafe gear or under unsafe conditions.
3. Any member who brings ill repute to the union through drunkenness or wilful attempts will be tried by an I.L.A. committee.

## USSR UNMASKS FASCISTS' AID

Miners Blasting Out Fascists At Oviedo

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the Spanish insurgents. Charges Proved "The defiant behavior of the delegates of these Fascist countries merely convinced the world of the truth of the charges against them. Realizing that neither general denials nor counter charges against the Soviet Union would convince anybody, they fell back upon tricks of procedure, thus blocking concrete discussion of the problem which the Soviet government raised."

## Oviedo Victory

MADRID.—Imminent fall of the Fascists at Oviedo before the irresistible attack of the heroic Asturian miners; was reported here to the government.

With their dynamite sticks blasting the Fascists out of stronghold after stronghold, the miners have wiped out all but about 800 of "Butcher" Aranda's forces.

When it was reported that Aranda and his men had taken a "death oath," the miners under Gonzalez Pena, Communist deputy, said the Fascists would get what they asked—"they're trapped like rats and like rats they should die."

Three miners were reported to have loaded a truck with 1000 pounds of dynamite and driven it at full speed into an old prison occupied by Fascists, blowing the latter to bits.

Aranda is known for brutality toward the Asturian people during the crushing of the Asturias Soviets in October, 1934.

Madrid Defense Firm Around Madrid, the government forces were consolidating defense positions, determined that "they shall not pass!" Three schools to train officers for the people's army have been organized.

The Madrid newspaper, Politica, charged that Argentine Fascists had been transported to Spain in German ships to fight against the government, and that the Nazi liner General Artigas had landed both food and war materials for the Spanish Fascists at Coruna.

The Spanish people took new heart and courage to fight against the Fascists, when they learned of the Soviet Union's moves to smash Nazi and Italian Fascist aid to the Franco-Mola forces.

LONDON.—Great Britain will withdraw from the Spanish "neutrality" pact if it is established that Fascist nations are aiding the Franco-Mola forces.



## LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

Apparently the Santa Ana Journal and the Santa Ana Register, both dailies, are running a competition to see which can be the most reactionary and the worst "red-baiters." Both are organs of wealthy growers and of the banks which own a lot of Orange County agricultural land.

Recently the Journal refused to publish an ad in the interest of the candidacy of Charles McLaughlin, Communist candidate for Congress in the 13th District, while it accepts Republican and Democratic campaign ads.

And the Journal went farther than that—it wrote an editorial "putting itself on the back for an act of patriotism" and assuring its readers of its moral integrity (?) by sparing them from such insidious "Moscow propaganda!"

### Blacks Hearst . . .

However, all is not reaction in Orange County, as the Santa Ana Independent, which describes itself as "A Snappy Weekly for Thinking People," recently proved, in an editorial by Grove Wilson, headed "Strange Antics of William Hearst."

The editorial concluded: "Sitting in a position of great power, he (Hearst) has succeeded only in making himself notorious while the mantle of fame has escaped him."

"This is he who now spues his filth upon the man whom millions delight to honor."

"Free government can hardly exist if such as he has a voice in the administration of affairs."

"The form of Liberty shudders and turns away her face when Hearst opens his mouth."

The editorial supports Roosevelt, with which we cannot agree but it certainly shows a fine choice of words in blasting the Fascist publisher, who is now trying to get Alf Landon elected.

A Fighting Campaign . . . In the last issue, Perry Hill and Wm. J. Prater were mentioned as "real shock-brigadiers" in campaigning as Communists for office, Emma Cutler, campaigning down in the 13th Congressional District in Los Angeles, also falls into this category with the fighting campaign she is carrying on against the arch-reactionary of California congressmen, Charles Kramer.

No punches pulled against the Fascist-minded Kramer, no effort spared to reach the tens of thousands of workers and middle class people in the 13th District with the exposure of her opponent—that's the job being done by Emma Cutler.

She has spoken to as many as five meetings of voters in one night.

For the results Miss Cutler is getting for the Communist election campaign, see the results of a straw ballot in her district, printed on this page.

Beating The One-Man Car . . . When the Market Street Railway put one-man cars on the "22" line in San Francisco, it stirred up a hornet's nest, and no feline.

The other night a worker got on the car, went to the back where the automatic door operates, and then waited until the car came to a stop. Standing on the front, he opened the door and shouted "This way in!" to a group of four or five workers who promptly clambered in the back door without paying fares.

This started something. The workers took turns standing on the people to let more passengers on board without paying fares.

One-man cars were voted out of existence by a vote made on the people of San Francisco, thought and action. It took Federal Judge Lombard to null the Market Street Railway's chauffeur out of the fare and driving the ordinance "unconstitutional."

A united front conference of labor organizations, Teamsters, etc., and those who oppose the one-man cars in general, would do a lot to change Landon's back mind. And a Communist vote for our Assembly candidate will be a blow against these one-man cars also.

## Aid For Heroic Spain Workers

The heroic Spanish workers need aid desperately. They have been fighting for months to stop the C. P. of California to raise for Labor's Red Cross for Spain, only \$50.00—remained to be collected last Monday.

Recent donations were: Donations acknowledged, \$99.35. Retiree: \$5.00; Conscience Working Party, \$2.00; E. J. Hall, \$1.00; Unit 1, Mission Section, S.F., \$11.83; total—\$99.48.

## "ANTI-HEARST" BROADCAST ON OCTOBER 23RD

Next Browder Talk; 19 Other Radio Broadcasts

"Anti-Hearst Day" in the 1936 election campaign will be marked by mass organized activity on Saturday, October 24th, to combat the Fascist propaganda being carried on by the San Simeon publisher to elect Alf Landon, Republican nominee.

Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, will lead the attack against the Fascist-minded reactionaries by a coast-to-coast broadcast on Friday, October 23rd, 7:45-8 p. m., over the NBC chain.

California stations releasing the broadcast will be KFI, Los Angeles, and KPO, San Francisco.

19 Other Broadcasts

Other Communist election broadcasts are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, Oct. 14th—James W. Ford, candidate for Vice-President, KFSD, San Diego, 8 p. m.

Thursday, Oct. 14th—Thos. J. Cooney, 69th A. D. candidate, KMTR, Los Angeles, 7:15-7:30 p. m.

Friday, Oct. 16th—Leon Vannier, 17th A. D. candidate, KRE, Oakland, 6:15 p. m.; Vernon J. Healy, 1st Cong. Dist. candidate, KROW, San Francisco, 6:45 p. m.

Monday, Oct. 19th—Lawrence Ross, 5th Cong. Dist. candidate, KROW, S. F., 6:45 p. m.; Harold J. Ashe, 14th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 7:15-7:30 p. m.

Against Kramer

Oct. 22nd—Emma Cutler, 13th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 8:15 p. m.; Carl B. Patterson, 9th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMJ, Fresno, 10:30 p. m.

Oct. 26th—E. L. Richardson, 20th Cong. Dist. candidate, KFS D, San Diego, 7:15 p. m.; Archie Brown, 22nd A. D. candidate, KROW, S. F., 7:45-8 p. m.; Emil Freed, 57th A. D. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 7:15-7:30 p. m.

Oct. 27th—Lloyd Harris, 6th Cong. Dist. candidate, KRE, Oakland, 6:15 p. m.

Oct. 28th—Alex Noral, 23rd A. D. candidate, KROW, S. F., 6:45 p. m.

Oct. 29th—Wm. Schneiderman, state secretary of C. P., state-wide hookup, KGO, San Francisco; KECA, Los Angeles; KFSD, San Diego, 7:15 p. m.; John L. Leech, 17th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 8:15 p. m.

Oct. 30th—"Mother" Bloor, national hookup, KPO, KFI, 7:45-8 p. m.

Nov. 2nd—Earl Browder, national hookup, KGO, KECA, KFSD, 7:45-8 p. m.; Harold J. Ashe, 14th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 7:15-7:30 p. m.; Stanley Hancock, KFSD, San Diego, 7:15 p. m.

## Bridges Tells ILA Efforts For Peace

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their former demand in regard to the hiring hall; they now demand that a Department of Labor man be there, paid by both sides. We think this is an unnecessary expense," Bridges said.

Employers' Penalties Proposals

"The shipowners desire to impose on the membership a set of fines, establishing a penal code when certain offenses are committed. They propose a two weeks' layoff for the first offense and for the second offense that a man be barred from the waterfront."

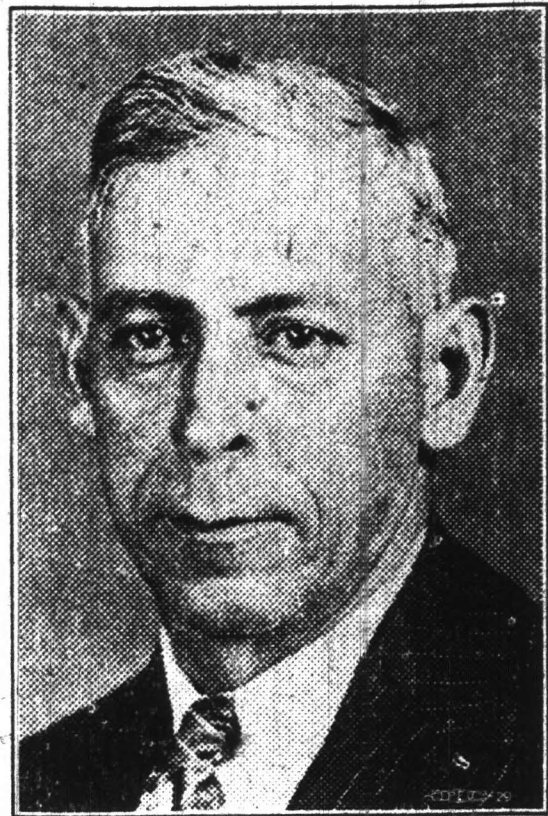
"We admit that a small minority of the men have to be curbed, but the union can do it. We will not concede to the employers the right to impose a scale of penalties," Bridges said. That would be a danger to the entire union, for the employers would use it to their own ends.

These, Bridges summed up, are the three main points in dispute—the hiring hall, 6-hour day and penalties set by the employers.

Some of the concessions the employers are willing to make do not mean much, Bridges showed. They are willing to grant preferential employment, but Bridges pointed out, "We actually have this anyway. They are willing to grant a 5-cent-an-hour wage increase, but it would be under this 8-hour day scheme—really a wage cut."

"It seems very evident that the employers are desirous of a tie-up. The ILA has leaned backwards in an attempt to compromise. As far as the other unions are concerned, the shipowners have adopted a policy of saying 'No' to everything. Our membership is overwhelmingly against arbitrating the hiring hall and 6-hour day."

## CANDIDATES SPEAK ON RADIO



LEON VANNIER

Voters in the 17th Assembly District, Oakland, will be able to hear the real people's candidate in that area over the radio next Friday, October 16th, when Vannier, Communist nominee, speaks over Station KRE at 6:15 p. m.

Ashe, the Communist candidate in the 14th Congressional District, Los Angeles, will carry his campaign for election to the radio next Monday night over Station KMTR, 7:15-7:30 p. m.



HAROLD J. ASHE

## Hearst Poll Is Cracked Open By C.P. Nominee

SAN FRANCISCO.—The "U.S. Government Staffs Department" of Hearst's Washington Herald is polling the congressional candidates to see if they will back the Fascist publisher's attacks against the foreign-born, his fingerprint plan, and other Fascist maneuvers.

Lawrence Ross, Communist candidate in the 5th District here, received such a letter signed by one George D. Riley, asking what his position was on these questions.

Naturally, Ross disagreed with all of Hearst's proposals, and added the following comment: "I stand emphatically against any proposal which would discriminate against aliens in public or private life, or would jeopardize their chances of earning a livelihood on the same basis as citizens."

"I am equally opposed to repetition of so-called 'oaths of allegiance.' The mere repetition of words do not prove allegiance to the basic principles of Americanism."

## CITY COUNCIL DISREGARDS PROTESTS

LOS ANGELES.—Disregarding protests from the United Organizations for Progressive Political Action, the City Council last week steamrolled the motion for an election for the municipal purchase of the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Corporation and granting 35-year franchises to three local gas companies.

The election was scheduled for December 8th.

Except for Councilman P. P. Christensen's vigorous support of the progressive groups, the council refused to postpone the election to provide adequate study of the proposal, which will require an expenditure of \$48,300,000.

## General Utah Mine Strike Is Voted

SALT LAKE CITY.—A statewide walkout of coal and metal miners has been voted by the Utah unions.

Miners demand a wage increase of 50 cents a day and an 8-hour day shift from the time of entering to the time of leaving the mine. One district also demands the closed shop, union recognition and the checkoff.

RELIEF GRAFTERS

LOS ANGELES.—Renting rooms under names of former relief clients so they could graft onto the relief checks, brought Horace B. Upham, former auditor and Stratton F. Young, payroll supervisor, in the local SERA unit, sentences of 1-14 years in San Quentin.

## A MASS COMMUNIST PARTY WILL BUILD A PEOPLE'S FRONT!

By WM. SCHNEIDERMAN (State Secretary of the Communist Party)

Every reader of the Western Worker knows about the growing mass movement for a Farmer Labor Party. You have read about the Peoples Front against Fascism in France and Spain. You see about you the growing militancy and progressive character of the labor movement in a thousand struggles. You have and are participating in some of them.

An effective struggle against the growing forces of reaction cannot be spontaneous. It has to be ORGANIZED.

Need Mass C.P.

The dynamic driving force to organize this struggle effectively can only come from the most advanced sections of class-con-

scious workers, to lead the struggle on the political as well as the economic field. That driving force can only come from a mass Communist Party.

"Politics," you will say. Yes, politics. Working-class politics.

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## JAMES FORD SPEAKS TO E. BAY ALLIES

Declares Labor Govt. Would Get Mooney Freedom

OAKLAND.—"The first task of a Farmer-Labor Party government in California would be the freedom of Tom Mooney," declared James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, at a campaign rally of 700, at Municipal Auditorium Theater, here last Thursday night. Ford met Mooney in the latter's cell in the San Francisco County Jail.

At noon on Thursday, Ford spoke to about 1500 to 2000 young people at Sather Gate, University of California, in Berkeley on the Communist program in the 1936 elections, dealing chiefly with the problems of youth, academic freedom, and repressive measures against teachers, such as the "teachers' loyalty oath."

United Front of Negro People

At a luncheon meeting before the Negro Business and Professional Men's Club, Oakland, Ford emphasized the necessity for a broad United Front of the Negro people, working with other groups to form a Farmer-Labor Party, and told how closely the interests of the Negro people are tied up with those of labor.

Ford decried the Negro misleaders in the Republican Party who try to palm off the G. O. P. as Abraham Lincoln's Party, when it really represents the most anti-Negro, anti-labor elements in America.

All of Ford's audiences in Northern California were composed to a considerable extent of Negro people.

CONTRA COSTA POLITICIANS ARE 'ROUGH'

EL CERRITO.—When Mayor William F. Huber urged the local city councilmen to grant a soft drink license upon which Commissioner Peter Larsen had previously frowned, he got a black eye last week from the commissioner.

Reason? The mayor broadly hinted "somebody" had been paid off by Contra Costa County gambling interests and Larsen called him a "liar." Result? One black eye and one set of skinned knuckles.

No action was taken on the soft drink license.

This county is chiefly dominated politically by reactionary incumbent Congressman Frank Buck, pal of bankers, industrialists and wealthy growers.

L.A. Police Had Tear Gas All Ready For Maritime Lockout

LOS ANGELES.—Los Angeles police gave the public a foretaste of the terror they were prepared to unleash, when, on the eve of the expected waterfront lockout a special "strike detail" of 400 "well-equipped" officers was mobilized.

A squad of police equipped with tear gas guns was placed in readiness. Capt. "Red" Hynes, head of the "Red Squad," was placed in charge of the uniformed squad division.

Jury Disagrees In L.A. Labor Case

LOS ANGELES.—Deadlocked in the case of Charlotte Duncan, member of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, accused of battery upon Marie Rush, scab, during the general strike here in early August of garment workers, a municipal court jury was dismissed last week by Judge George Dockweiler.

140 Candy Strikers Force Reinstatement

SAN FRANCISCO.—Newly organized into the Candy and Confectionery Workers' Union, 140 workers of the Euclid Candy Co. won a one-day strike last week. They forced reinstatement of two girls discharged for union membership.

Your Guarantee

The best guarantee that a Farmer-Labor Party will come into existence in time to stop Fascism, is the building of a strong Communist Party.

The best guarantee that your trade union will be strong, militant, and progressive is to join with other Communists, your fellow-trade-unionists, in fighting for a powerful, united American Federation of Labor.

Three thousand Communists in California is not enough; 50,000 in America is not enough. We are out to double that number during the Browder-Ford membership drive.

Throw your hat in the ring! Join YOUR party, the Communist Party!

## MOBILIZE FOR DONATIONS FOR C. P. CAMPAIGN

Saturday and Sunday Big Days In Fight For Progress

It will be a big week-end next Saturday and Sunday, October 17th and 18th, a week-end of mobilization against reaction and for progress to raise funds for the Communist election campaign.

Throughout California and throughout the nation, Communist election workers will seek donations to the campaign and will sell donation coupons.

Joining the ranks of the shock-brigadiers against Hearst-Hoover-Landon reaction, by donating a day's pay to the campaign, are the following:

Los Angeles

Building trades worker, L. A., \$5; Harbor Section, \$25; Hollywood Section, \$13.25; Goodyear donations, \$9 Downtown Section, \$2; J-3, Hollywood, \$9; Andy, \$5; Bay Cities, L. A., \$4.30; J-5, Hollywood, \$8; So, Pacific Section, \$12.25; A-5, Downtown, \$10; A-11, Downtown, \$2.50; A-6, Downtown, \$5; Goodyear K-3, \$2; Harbor Section, \$27.50; Downtown Section, \$28.

San Francisco

San Francisco waterfront workers, \$36.15; Unit 102, \$10; Golden Section, \$11; 23rd A. D., \$21.50; Unit 5, \$2; M. Bolen, \$5; Unit 105, \$27.50; Unit 104, \$8.66; Golden Gate, Unit 1, \$1; Hawkins, \$5; Unit 1, 22nd A. D., \$7; Waterfront, \$10.

French fraction, \$2.50; S. Leumas, \$4; New Members Unit, \$1; Unit 3, Fillmore, \$2; Unit 103, \$3; H. Wallace, \$1; Unit 1, Fillmore, \$2; Unit 1, \$3; 20th A. D., \$3; Unit 1, \$4.68; Unit 7, 23rd A. D., \$15; Unit 7, 26th A. D., \$21; 20th A. D., \$40.

Frank Brady, Sta. Barbara, \$8; Petaluma Unit, \$6.

Petaluma Unit also raised \$20.50 at a house party, and turned in a \$1 donation. Sta. Barbara turned in a \$2 donation. Unit 104 turned in a \$2 donation, and the S. F. waterfront, \$22.50.

## Chief Quinn Buys Parts for Masks

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jury here that Federal Laboratories bribed police officials to purchase the bulk of the tear-gas equipment from Lake Erie's chief business rival.

Chief Quinn personally signed the order for the canisters last week, it is revealed.

"Chief Quinn's now buying canisters for gas masks he claims I never delivered free to the police and for Federal Laboratories' masks, which he says weren't paid for," laughed McCarthy. "What a joke."

"In spite of the fancy lying done, about the gas munitions supplied the police for the 1934 waterfront strike, what happened was this:

"I equipped police with 20 gas masks among the \$5500 worth of gas equipment donated to the department by public spirited citizens. Chief Quinn ordered 57 other masks costing \$1178.50 in his illegal \$15,872 order from Federal Laboratories. The city never bought any other masks except six ancient ones."

"But for masks that the police don't even have, according to the chief, they have to have \$375.44 worth of canisters."

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## FOR PROGRESS



EMMA CUTLER

People's candidate against reaction on the Communist Party ticket in the 13th Congressional District, Los Angeles, against the arch-reactionary incumbent, Charles Kramer. See accompanying story.

## Emma Cutler Is Leading In Straw Poll

LOS ANGELES.—Support for Emma Cutler, Communist Party candidate for Congress in the 13th District, is rapidly growing according to the results of a straw vote conducted by the Eastside Journal, circulation 17,000, published here October 7th.

The results of the straw vote also show a strong surge of resentment against the incumbent, Charles Kramer and his anti-labor Seditious Bill.

Browder Vote Large

The poll on presidential candidates show Earl Browder, Communist, to rank next to Roosevelt and above Landon.

Following is a chart showing the percentages as published by the Eastside Journal:

CONGRESS	
Cutler	42 per cent
Kramer	16 "
Seaman (write in)	16 "
Christensen (write in)	10 "
McGonegal (write in)	4 "
Decline to state	12 "
PRESIDENT	
Roosevelt	74 per cent
Browder	16 "
Landon	8 "
Thomas	0 "
Lemke	0 "
Colvin	0 "
Decline to state	2 "

Tricky Lies

"Kramer speaks of upholding democracy and Americanism in the same breath with which he presents his Hearst-concocted Seditious Bill."

"If you vote for Kramer, you vote for further cuts in relief, for Fascist measures, for Hearst and his war policy."

"When you vote for me, you vote for a program of progress, peace and security, for a people's program, for a candidate who pledges to help build the American People's Front against reaction and Fascism—the Farmer-Labor Party."

Vote Communist for Progress

"You may say you are not ready to vote for Communism. I am not asking you to vote for Communism, but I am asking you to vote for a progressive candidate who will fight for your every need."

"I am willing to accept your mandate to fight for your needs, to maintain and extend our civil and democratic rights, to insure a decent standard of living for the people of this community."

"If that is what you want, instead of further misery, starvation, Fascist measures, then you must vote for me—the only candidate on the ballot in opposition against Kramer," concluded Miss Cutler.

Workers Lose Two Leaders In Auto Crash Near L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—The working class lost two of its leaders October 4th when Andres Martinez and Juan Jimenes, both of Whittier, were killed in an auto accident on the highway near Whittier.

Especially active in the struggle of the Spanish workers for better living conditions, Martinez and Jimenes were both members of the Workers' Alliance and the International Labor Defense.

The I.L.D. planned a mass funeral.

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## STOP REACTION BY VOTING FOR EMMA CUTLER!

Kramer Means Mass Misery, Says C.P. Candidate

LOS ANGELES.—"The Kramer Anti-Seditious Bill is designed to wreck the American organized labor movement," charged Emma Cutler, Communist candidate for Congress in the 13th District, in an interview here.

Lashing her opponent, Charles Kramer, the incumbent, Miss Cutler pointed out that she is the only candidate left in the field to defend the democratic rights of the people against the Hearst-backed Kramer.

Highly Financed

Kramer, by dint of high financial backing, captured the nomination on the Republican and Democratic tickets, and also on the Progressive ticket, since the party's candidate was ruled out on a technicality.

Miss Cutler quoted Carey McWilliams, nationally known liberal attorney, that "if the Kramer Bill becomes a law, there is no question but that it would be used to destroy political independence in the United States. It is gag-legislation of the most vicious variety. In America today 17 states have Criminal Syndicalism laws and 20 states have sedition statutes."

"These laws constitute a grave menace to American liberties, but the Kramer Bill eclipses all these measures in its clear Fascist implications."

Fascist Wedge

"The Kramer Bill is the entering wedge of Fascism in the United States. It is so-called 'legal' Fascism. It is Hitlerism masquerading as patriotism."

Miss Cutler recalled that Kramer declared, on the night after the August primaries, that the people of the 13th District had given him a "mandate to fight Communism."

"This smacks of Hearst, Wall Street and the Liberty Leaguers," declared the militant Communist nominee.

"When Hitler came into power in Germany, he used the same methods—first attacking the Communist Party, then the Jews, Catholics, Protestants and all progressive and liberal groups that did not agree with him."

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### Landon and Lynching

LONDON, in a private interview with a Negro business man of Memphis, Tennessee, and Colonel Little, former commander of the 369th Infantry, a Negro regiment, has declared he is in favor of taking legal steps to end lynching, and to give Negroes equal rights in the distribution of relief and in civil service.

This is merely another shameless maneuver to gain the votes of Negroes.

If Governor Landon feels so strongly about the matter of lynching—why were those sentiments not incorporated in the platform of the Republican party?

Why has Landon done nothing to stop the shameful discrimination against Negroes in his own state of Kansas, whose reputation in this respect is as bad as that of its bordering state of Missouri?

Why, in Landon's many campaign speeches, has there been no mention of the struggles of the Negro people and public utterance of what he calls his anti-lynching sentiments as one of the important principles on which he bases his appeal for support of the people?

The reason is obvious: Landon, representing the most reactionary interests in the country, interests which thrive on keeping Negroes divided from white workers, is the candidate of the lynchers, of the most decisive section of the monopoly capitalists of this country. His party is a lynch party; his platform a lynch platform.

Compare Landon's vote-angling maneuver with the demand boldly put forward by the Communist election platform:

"We demand that the Negro people be guaranteed complete equality, equal rights to jobs, equal pay for equal work, the full right to organize, vote, serve on juries and hold public office. Segregation and discrimination against Negroes must be declared a crime. Heavy penalties must be established against mob rule, floggers and kidnappers, with the death penalty for lynchers. We demand the enforcement of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution."

Landon is significantly silent on Jim-crowism, on the vital matter of full political, economic and social equality for the Negro people.

The Negro people have listened to many promises—some more flowery than Landon's—put forward by capitalist candidates for political office; promises relegated to the waste basket after election.

Negroes can win equality in only one way: to unite with white workers in the struggles for decent living and working conditions, against lynching and Jim-crowism.

The National Negro Congress is a powerful weapon in the hands of the Negro people. The Communist Party endorses and actively supports the National Negro Congress. The Communist Party has always, as it does now, actively participated in the struggle for equality for the Negro people, against Jim-crowism! Symbolic of the stand of the Communist Party was the nomination of an able and tried Negro leader as its candidate for Vice-President of the United States.

Negro people—vote Communist November 3rd!

### The Chronicle Finds A "Hero"

THE "LIBERAL" San Francisco Chronicle always rushes to the defense of any manifestation of counter-revolutionary activities against the Soviet Union. When the sixteen Trotskyite Fascists were executed several weeks ago, the Chronicle rushed into print to describe their confessions as "fantastic" and the entire trial as a show staged to bolster up Stalin's rule.

This despite the testimony of non-Communist eye-witnesses, including leading journalists and renowned legal authorities, that the trial was properly and fairly conducted and that the guilt of the sixteen was established beyond any doubt.

Now again the Chronicle comments on the arrest of Radek and the investigation being

conducted into the activities of Bukharin, Rykoff and Pyatakoff, in connection with Trotskyist plots against these people of the Soviet Union. The Chronicle not only extols the records of Radek and the others, but actually states the lie, apparent to anyone acquainted with Trotsky's long history of fighting the line of Lenin, that "loyalty to the ideology of Trotsky was once compulsory in Russia."

Any one at whom the finger of suspicion of Trotskyism is pointed by the Soviet Union suddenly becomes a heroic martyr in the eyes of "liberal" capitalist editorial writers. In the same way that the Spanish Fascist hordes of General Franco, murderers of women and children and brutal torturers of prisoners, are valiant heroes to these same editorial writers.

The Chronicle implies again that the arrest of Radek is part of a move by Stalin to eliminate rivals. The viciousness of this statement is matched only by its stupidity. Stalin, beloved leader of the 170,000,000 people of the Soviet Union, has the confidence and support of the armed masses. It was under Stalin's leadership that Socialism has been built in the Soviet Union, while the workers of capitalist countries have seen their standard of living dropping, have been and are being robbed of their elementary rights. These are facts which can no longer be denied even by "liberal" newspaper editorial writers such as the one on the Chronicle staff.

Capitalist editorial writers, of course, retain a burning resentment against these splendid achievements of the Soviet Union. One way of expressing that resentment is to give vent, in type, to malicious attacks of this nature.

### We Want No Storm Troops! Build the Farmer-Labor Party!

THE HAND of the American Liberty League is evident behind the latest attempt to recruit an army of 830,000 Fascist storm troops. One of the main supporters of this move is a certain Mrs. Mabel Jacques Eichel, national director of the Independent Coalition of American Women, which sponsored Al Smith's recent speech against the Roosevelt administration. Behind this organization stands the American Liberty League, representing the most sinister Fascist force in America.

The army being organized by an employee of the United States Treasury Department is avowedly aimed at combatting "the radical influence of Jews and Reds" and was to be drilled under the leadership of a white guard Russian.

Combatting the influence of "Jews and Reds" really means that this private army of storm troopers will be used to carry out the program of the American Liberty League and the Republican Party—a program of strike-breaking and union-smashing.

Thus is the analysis made by the Communist Party of the Fascist character of the American Liberty League forcefully confirmed.

No doubt the League will officially deny any connection with "Commandant" Hubert W. Eldred of the "Veterans Reserve Corps"—but so has it denied connection with the nefarious Black Legion of Michigan, in face of irrefutable proof.

The American Liberty League, following the tactics of Hitler and Mussolini, is attempting secretly to organize a Fascist army while openly it is carrying on a campaign for the election of Landon, its political puppet.

This particular attempt has been exposed, as was the one made almost two years ago, which tried to use General Smedley Butler. But this does not mean the end of the menace. Other attempts are being made, and will continue, to organize storm troopers. There are other Eldreds, and General Smiths and Pelleys who are only too eager to become peanut Hitler.

The way to stop the menace is to build a powerful people's front against Fascism, a Farmer-Labor Party.

The most effective way to help build a Farmer-Labor Party is to roll up a huge Communist vote November 3rd!

### BEHIND LANDON



## Browder in Radio Interview On Church, Home, Violence

(The following is the full text of a radio interview given by Earl Browder, Communist Party candidate for President, in Hartford, Conn. on Oct. 6. The questioner was Cedric W. Foster, newspaperman in charge of public relations for station WHCT which carried the interview.)

FOSTER: Well Mr. Browder, we have heard a great deal of Communists advocating the overthrow of the United States government by force. I think it will clarify the situation greatly were you to tell us just what the stand of your Party is on that particular question.

BROWDER: The Communist Party does not advocate force and violence. It is a legal party and defends its legality. Communists are not conspirators, not terrorists, not anarchists. The Communist Party is an open revolutionary party, continuing under modern conditions the revolutionary traditions of 1776.

FOSTER: Just how do you find a basis of comparison between those conditions and the year 1936?

BROWDER: America was born as an independent nation out of a conflict that arose between the interests of the masses of the people on one side and the then existing government on the other side. The Declaration of Independence laid down the fundamental revolutionary principle that when such a conflict arises the people have the right and the duty to establish a new form of government to guarantee their future security. We Communists maintain the Declaration of Independence today. We do not, however, make the issue of a new form of government the question to be decided in the 1936 elections. We know that the overwhelming majority of the American people are not prepared to choose a new form of government.

FOSTER: Just what do you make as the issue in the election four weeks from now and just what do you think the American people are prepared to do if they are not ready to choose a new form of government?

BROWDER: We say the chief issue is the choice between progress and reaction, between democracy or fascism. We believe the great majority of the American people are prepared to accept a definitely progressive platform based upon protection and extension of democratic rights. Unfortunately this majority is not yet organized for political action. It has been trying unsuccessfully to get the progressive platform adopted by one or other of the old parties. Today these people are turning toward the formation of a new party which in most places takes form of the Farmer-Labor Party.

FOSTER: Well, doesn't this constitute an abandonment by

the Communist Party of the revolutionary principles to which it has always adhered?

BROWDER: No, the Communists systematically advocate their revolutionary principles, that is the necessity of socialism to replace the present capitalist system. But until that becomes a practical issue for the majority of the people the Communists will join hands with all of those who fight for a better life under capitalism. The improvement of living conditions under capitalism may delay the revolutionary change to socialism but it will provide a more peaceful, less difficult and less painful transition to socialism when the time comes.

FOSTER: The question of Thomas. FOSTER: Well, with all this talk of socialism creeping in here, Mr. Browder, why don't you join hands with Norman Thomas and have one party, a combination of Socialists and Communists?

BROWDER: That's a good idea and we proposed that to Norman Thomas. FOSTER: What was his reaction?

BROWDER: Norman Thomas rejected the idea of uniting the forces that want socialism. He goes farther and refuses to help build the Farmer-Labor Party to unite all of those who want to stop reaction and fascism. Norman Thomas says the issue in 1936 is the choice between socialism or capitalism. He's not interested unless he can get socialism right away. Norman Thomas has even said that it might be better if Landon, the extreme reactionary, were elected.

FOSTER: Well, then, please tell me briefly just what is the difference between your beliefs and those of Mr. Thomas, if there is any difference.

BROWDER: In the immediate issues of the day our main difference with Thomas is that we stand for a united front of all the progressives while Thomas rejects that idea. On the question of the future socialistic society our difference is chiefly that Thomas thinks that socialism can be established without a revolution.

FOSTER: May I interpose here, Mr. Browder. When you say revolution do you mean the generally accredited definition of that term which is war, bloodshed and suffering or do you mean an education revolution accomplished at the polls?

Jefferson on Revolution. BROWDER: We have no different definition of revolution than that given to us by Thomas Jefferson.

FOSTER: What was that definition? BROWDER: Jefferson pointed out that the bloody war of 1776 which was necessary to establish American Independence, was not caused by advocacy of force

and violence by the patriots of those days but by the determination of a government which was separated from the people to impose its will at all costs. So long as the people can control their government there will be no necessity for a bloody revolution. If the capitalists would submit to the decisions of the American people the change to socialism will be bloodless.

FOSTER: In other words Communistic principles do not advocate the waving of a red rag in the streets and machine guns mowing down the populace and that, Mr. Browder, I am frank to confess is just what many people believe.

BROWDER: It is through just such an interview as this, Mr. Foster, that we are trying to break down that belief. We Communists want to prevent a continuance of the violence that shames American life. Machine guns are not strangers to American streets but it has never been the Communists that have brought them out. It is usually the strikebreaking agencies employed by the capitalists which have made machine guns and gas bombs commonplace experiences to large numbers of the American people. We would like to stop all that. If the employers further develop this kind of warfare upon the American working people, they are ones who are forcing the issue.

Stand On Religion. FOSTER: There is another question I want to ask you, Mr. Browder. It has to do with religion. According to press reports most of the churches in Russia have been demolished under a Communist regime. Do you believe that religion is not necessary for the welfare of mankind, and if you do not believe that how do you justify the demolition of the churches?

BROWDER: The Communists stand for unconditional freedom of worship. The reason why the church in Russia suffered from the revolution is because it was a state church bound up with the old Czarist regime of oppression which was a by-word throughout the world. It was a political instrument of the Czarist autocracy and when the Czar was overthrown it tried to re-establish Czarism. Similarly, in Spain today, the church is suffering because it made itself the center of an organized rebellion to overthrow the democratic republic and its buildings were made into arsenals for the fascist rebels. When the church enters politics in this way the church separates itself from the state and confines itself to its proper sphere of religion it will have nothing to complain of anywhere.

The Soviet Union divorced the church from the state and established the American system in these relations. We Communists,

## NAZIS CUT SCHOOLS THREE YEARS

### German Educational Prestige Down

BERLIN—Not satisfied with reducing the number of students in universities and technical schools to approximately one-half, the National-Socialist ministry of education has cut a total of three years from the curriculum of the preparatory schools.

The latest step in this curtailment of the educational program for which Germany was once noted came recently with the announcement of the Minister of Education, Dr. Bernhard Rust, that the thirteenth year of the preparatory course will be completely eliminated from next Easter onward.

#### Already Cut 2 Years

Last year a cut amounting to two years was made in a more indirect manner. The sixth day of the school week was abolished, with the students required to spend this time in athletics and training in National-Socialist "ideals."

An attempt was made to conceal the effect of this by retaining the six-day study plan, with the beginning of each six-day period coming on a different day each week. The school year, however, adds up to only thirty-three weeks compared to a previous forty. At the end of the twelve years that remained in the preparatory study course, the loss adds up to another two years.

Curtailed of the period of study preparatory to the universities and technical schools has raised another problem which has been met in typical Nazi fashion. German universities have been noted in the past for their high academic standing, for which a large share of the credit lay with the completeness of the student's preparation for higher study.

The Nazis want to conceal the diminishing prestige of the universities in this respect. Hence Dr. Rust has also announced that a university year with eleven months of study will soon be introduced, abolishing the long summer vacations. The purpose is to make a certain pretense of overcoming the shortcomings which arise from the diminished preparation.

However, the high rating of German universities has been based to a large extent on the independent study and research carried on by the students during these long vacations. Lengthening the academic year only takes up slack of one place to leave it in another.

More than the educational cuts

openly announced, however, the Nazis are notorious for spending regularly allotted school time in dining propaganda into the ears of the students.

They are notorious, moreover, for replacing scientific research and academic freedom with forced acceptance of such vicious tales as the "Aryan supremacy" theory.

### Communist Party On Montana Ballot; Rally For Ford

GREAT FALLS, Mont.—Election for Browder and Ford, and a candidate for state governor, were named here by a state-wide convention of the Communist Party held recently.

Arvo Fredrickson, militant Butte miner and candidate for state legislature from Silver Bow County on the Communist ticket two years ago, will run for governor.

Following the convention, James W. Ford, Communist vice-presidential candidate, spoke to an enthusiastic audience of WPA workers, delegates to a Farmers Union convention, and smelter workers from the huge Anaconda Copper Mining Company plant here.

### Students Applaud C.P. Congressional Candidate

HUNTINGTON PARK.—Slated to talk on social security, Emma Cutler, Communist candidate for Congress in the 13th District, discovered that her talk to the current events class of the local high school last Monday turned out to be a political rally.

When Miss Cutler was pointed out as a Communist, students asked her many questions concerning the Communist position on various matters.

Their sentiments definitely anti-Hearst, anti-Kramer and anti-Landon, the students assured Miss Cutler she would receive more votes in Huntington Park than would ordinarily be expected.

in general, are not adherents of any church; in this respect we follow the examples of Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Paine.

FOSTER: Speaking of divorcing church from state, Mr. Browder, brings up the subject to my mind of marriage and divorce. I believe it was Theodore Roosevelt who said, "When the home disintegrates the nation decays." Don't you believe that the ease with which divorce is obtained in Russia tends to lower the moral standards of the people. I don't believe you advocate such a lowering of standards?

Home and Family. BROWDER: Mr. Roosevelt was correct. One of the signs of decay in American capitalist society is the tragic break-up of millions of homes which is going on under the blows of unemployment. All of the immediate measures proposed by the Communists are aimed to protect the home. We do not think that the home can be maintained, however, by making divorce more difficult. The proper way is to create conditions under which people won't want divorce. Permanent and healthy family life is best built upon the secure possession by all people of the material basis for the family; that is, adequate housing, plenty of food and clothing, and an assured income. It is still true very often that when poverty walks in through the door love flies out of the window. Abolish poverty and the problem of divorce will largely disappear.

FOSTER: Well, Mr. Browder, while we are on the subject of Russia, I want to ask you another question. It has always been my belief that when any group of individuals, be they Communists or any other party adherents, come into power, they may forget they represent the common every-day man and woman and seek avariciously for more and more power. In other words, there enters the human element. Do you as a Communist claim your party leaders immune from such lust for power that they will always remember the people whom they serve? Might they not fall into the category of the persons you term capitalists and whom you oppose?

BROWDER: We Communists are the last ones to deny the human element in all social problems. That is why we consider it so important that the working class shall be represented by a highly organized party which sets exemplary standards for its leadership and enforces these standards ruthlessly. Without such systematic and organized control of the leadership, through a party arising

directly from the mass of the people and controlled by them, it is quite true that leadership tends to degenerate. This is especially true under conditions of capitalism which sets as the highest standard for each individual, not the service of the general good, but the accumulation of individual wealth. We do NOT think this is a permanent characteristic of human nature. This is only a product of the individualistic capitalist society. A deeper feature of human nature is the desire to win the esteem of one's fellows. When this esteem can be secured only by serving the common good, then human nature will flower as never before in history. The individual will find his greatest good in the common service.

FOSTER: In closing this interview, Mr. Browder, will you sum up briefly the aims of the Communists Party and what it stands for in the 1936 elections?

BROWDER: The Communist Party in the present election strives first of all to unite all the progressive forces in the country in a Farmer-Labor party with a program which calls for the provision of jobs and a minimum wage for all; social security for those who cannot work through old age pensions and unemployment insurance; guaranteed opportunity for education and work for the young people; security for the farmer and an adequate income, maintenance in the possession of his farm tenance and extension of democratic rights and popular control of the government; a system of public finance based upon ability to pay, that is taxation of the rich, with abolition of sales taxes; complete equality for the Negro people by the enforcement of the constitution, and a peace policy to keep America out of war by keeping war out of the world. This platform can be summed up as a program of democracy against fascism, progress against reaction. It can be accomplished through organizing the people in a Farmer-Labor party. The experience in fighting for these demands, will, we believe, convince the majority of the people at some future time that it is necessary and possible to go forward to a new system of society which we call socialism. Socialism is that system whereby the people take over as their common property the basic economy of the country and operate it through their people's government for the benefit of the whole population. These, Mr. Foster, are our immediate and ultimate aims, and these are the principles for which we are struggling.



## Seeing RED

By Michael Quin

### GUILTY INNOCENCE

THEY OPENED the door without knocking and frightened his wife who was watering the plants in the window box. He heard her startled cry and came running in from the kitchen.

"We're not Communists," his wife said. "You won't find anything here."

You're George Simonds, aren't you?" asked one of them. George was startled. "Why, yes. But I don't see—"

"I'll have to ask you to get your hat and come with me." They all wore grey shirts with black ties. They had black arm bands marked with zig-zag lightning streaks within yellow circles. The man who spoke also wore a Sam Brown belt with a Colt automatic in a holster. He was heavily built and of medium height with a sagging paunch of a stomach. His hair was thin on top and his face had an unhealthy, bloated appearance. George took him to be a real estate agent or an insurance man in private life.

"I don't get this at all," George said. "You haven't any authority coming in here. This is my home. What do you think this is?"

"We're not Communists," said his wife. "What right have you got to interfere with us?"

"See here! Put that down. You can't do that!" George rushed over to where one of the men was rummaging through the drawers in his writing desk. The other men were turning the house upside down as they made a thorough search of the premises.

"Give me that. Where do you think you are?" Mrs. Simonds jerked her sewing basket from the hands of a grey shirt.

Two men seized George from either side and a third struck him in the face with the back of his hand.

"Listen, you goddam Red," said the man with the Sam Brown Belt. "We've stood about all we're going to from you Jews."

Another man twisted Mrs. Simonds' arm until she dropped the basket.

"We're not Jews," she cried, defiantly. George struggled in the grip of the two men. The big man hit him again with his fist.

Another was going through the papers on the desk. "Here's a bunch of Communist junk," he said. "Membership card in the Carpenter's Union; a petition against police interfering with picket lines. A bunch of tickets for a turkey raffle to help the teamsters' strike."

"Bundle it all up," said the big man. "Take the whole damn mess along." He turned to George. "So you ain't no Communist, huh? Then I guess you'll claim all that junk was planted on you."

"He isn't a Communist," sobbed Mrs. Simonds. "Those are his union affairs. He's never been a Communist."

"He's got a bunch of Jew books here, chief!" One of the men was kneeling in front of the bookcase. "Life of Eugene Debs," "The History of the American Working Class," "Backward," by Bellamy. Oh no! He ain't no Communist. Not much he ain't."

The big man turned a sarcastic face on George. "I suppose that Jew Debs wasn't no Communist either? Come on. Why don't you tell me that?"

"He wasn't," said George. "He wasn't a Jew, either."

The big man slapped him with a full swing of his arm. The impact sounded like a whip-crack and left the whole side of George's face red.

THE GREY SHIRTS had set up headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce building. George was kept standing with his face to the wall for three hours before they came to his case. Behind his back, he heard the swift disposal of scores of other "Reds" who had been brought in.

A thin, nervous looking man sat in a chair at one end of the table.

"This is George Simonds," said the grey shirt behind the desk. "Do you recognize him?"

The thin man squinted, then nodded his head. "Communist agitator," he said. "During the Warehousemen's strike, he got up in the Central Labor Council and made a motion that every union in town should send men out to the picket line to show solidarity with the strikers."

SEVERAL HUNDRED men were crowded within the barred wire enclosure. Armed grey shirts completely encircled the temporary concentration camp. George was huddled on the ground with several other victims of the "Communist purge."

"I don't understand it," said George. "I'm not a Communist. I'm not a Jew. Most of these other guys are the same way. How can they call us Communists?"

"You were a strong union man, weren't you?" asked one of the men.

"Yeah." "Well, in their language, that mean's you're a Communist. What the hell did you think they meant when they said they were going to suppress the Communists?"

## ACCENT ON YOUTH

By EVELYN JAMES

Prosperity, Girl Typists And McFadden

EVERY day in every way, business is getting better and better. So says Phillip Keenan, assistant circulation manager for the 12 Bernarr (strong man) McFadden publications. And you'd never guess how he can tell. It's really very simple, and things like figures on unemployment and relief rolls, etc., needn't even be considered.

Says the Chronicle, reporting Keenan's discussion of the subject: "Whether a stenographer can afford 15 cents for a copy of the True Story Magazine is a better index of business throughout the country than all the car-loadings and national surveys." This jewel of wisdom is subtitled: "Magazine Market Best Prosperity Indicator, says Specialist."

That's rank, but listen to the big black heading: "Girl Typists Buying Key to Better Times."

In other words, according to Keenan, if tired stenographers—who never have the time or money to find glamour and romance in their scurrying, crumb-snatching lives—spend fifteen cents to buy a magazine which partly fills that desperate longing for romance and glamour, that's a sure-fire indication that prosperity is here, God's in his Heaven, and all's right with the world. McFadden sales are increasing; that means that everybody has his rent paid, his groceries bought, his wardrobe complete, with fifteen cents to spare for culture!

Hope Springs Eternal, But Action Is Needed

THE BOY was about 13. He sat beside me in morose silence until the street car passed the Fox. A crowd of children were in line outside on the velvet red carpet. Then he muttered in angry envy: "Gee!"

"What's the crowd?" I asked. "School kids get in for ten cents to see Ramona."

"Have you seen it?"

"Naw."

"You couldn't go?"

He looked down at his books and shook his head.

"That's too bad."

"They're gonna have a lot of special shows like that," he told me, more cheerfully.

"Maybe you can go to them."

"Yeah, I hope so. I'm applying for a N.Y.A. job."

"Grade school?"

"Yeah. My old man said I could have the five dollars for myself. He's swell. He could put it a thousand places, but he says I can keep it."

"You're sure of getting the job?"

"Well, no." He frowned again. "Heck, they only got 25 jobs and there's 1600 kids at my school. Jimminy! 200 kids applied."

I didn't answer.

"I might get it," he said, stubbornly, as if I had expressed my doubt aloud.

"Sure, but..." I was going to explain about the American Youth Act.

"So long—here's my corner."

"Here!" I said hurriedly, jerking out a copy of the A.Y.A.

"Look this over and show it to your dad, too."

Song

of the Miners

WE are the fierce beginning—

Iron, copper and coal—

The base beneath the base,

The core of the world's soul;

And we dig the precious metal

That our masters love so well;

They hate to think that Labor

Is the magic of its spell.

We are the dark miners

Of the black caves of death,

Our heads and shoulders bent

By the pressure of the earth;

But our lamps shine bright

And our hearts beat high

And our tools swing sure

In the struggle for the sky.

We struck the mines of Laurium

While our masters were at war;

We fought behind Spartacus

In a welter of steel and gore;

We knew ten thousand battles

Through the years of long ago;

Now it's Haywood and Stakhanov

And the C.I.O.

The Ruhr and Fecs and Donbas

Are stations on our road;

Never to shrink from action

Is part of our grim code.

Harlan, Hunan, Rhonda

Seethe in our memory;

And now in brave Asturias

We blast the enemy.

Always in the vanguard;

Up through the ground we burst

To smash the chafing shackles

With which we've been ac-

cursed;

And to dig into the future,

We muster all our powers;

Our ranks press onward—

We know it shall be ours.

CARLOS.

## RIPTIDES

By D. L. Saunders

"HELL—that sheet's just another shipowners' bulletin. What do they expect to get away with. This red-baiting stuff don't go any more." It was the Sailors' Union Hall. The speaker, just in off steam schooner, tossed a crumpled copy of the spuriously titled "Maritime Mirror" into a nearby cuspidor.

"Yeh—it reads exactly like those phoney bulletins they've been sending aboard the ship for the last year and a half. I wondered who these supposed to be 'rank and filers' are around here, who don't want Communists in the Union. It's strange. The shipowners are also very much interested in chafing the Communists off the front," another sailor spoke up.

"What I want to know is who the hell is going to decide who the Communists are? According to Hearst, the shipowners and the vigilantes, we're ALL Communists." The question was raised by a third member of the group sitting around waiting for a ship.

"Hell, I've been shipmates with guys that are Communists. And they were damn good union men. I don't see nothing wrong with them. I know a couple that have been in the union for over a couple of years and they've always acted like damn good Union men."

And so did the discussion run. The "Maritime Mirror" was rejected unanimously by the assembled seamen. They have no use whatsoever for anything that even smacks of red-baiting.

### So the Editors Take

#### A New Tack

BUT apparently the "editorial board" of the "Mirror" has realized that it was just a little too impetuous in its red-baiting harangue. Those who edit this sheet didn't have to put their ears very close to the ground to hear the opinions of the maritime workers.

I said last week that the sole and only purpose of this sheet is, if at all possible, to split the unity of the maritime workers at this time when a successful fight is being waged to effect improved conditions through peaceful means.

This is the reason why the poor, surf-scarred red-herring

was resurrected. The second issue of this sheet takes a "different line," but with the same purpose. To split the unions. To create confusion and to inject "policies" which bear the birthmark of the shipowners.

Picture if you can, a paper conceived on any honest base whatsoever, which keeps its question of finances a deep mystery.

In answer to the question of who supports this paper, one of the "editors" answered: "I don't know. I haven't the least idea."

He "did not know" whether or not the shipowners were behind this paper. Neither did he "know" if the League Against Communism is actively supporting it.

He said he was opposed to the policy of red-baiting but the "others" overruled him. Oh, no—he "doesn't know" the names of most of them, either.

"Mr. Leopold from the Steward's Union is one of the waterfront supporters," was his only positive statement.

"If I find out the shipowners or the League Against Communism is backing this paper, I will quit this job," the co-editor readily assured us.

"We decided not to print the names of our waterfront supporters," he answered when asked why the "Mirror" had failed to print the names of those "rank and file leaders" who are purported to be backing this red-baiting sheet.

### Evades Telling Who Is Behind It

AND THE Mr. Leopold mentioned. He informed the District Council which unanimously condemned this sheet, that "A rich man who had died in Chicago had left the money to put out the paper in the interest of the rank and file." He didn't know the man's name.

Later that evening the worthy individual had a slight lapse of memory and was overheard saying: "I think the League Against Communism has something to do with it—but I'm not sure."

Huh—everyone should know that the "League Against Communism is more correctly termed the 'League for Fascism.'"

And they are going to "reflect the opinions of the rank and file" maritime workers.

## Unmasking a Little Hypocrisy



OHRBACH, who owns a New York department store, makes a great to-do over keeping the holy days, but refuses to let his Jewish employees get off. Three of them, locked out for union activities, are telling the world about it as they picket the swank Temple Emanuel, where their ex-boss prays. The strike has finally been settled.

## Labor School To Open In S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO—With the issuance of an attractive brochure catalogue, the Progressive Labor School has introduced itself to San Francisco and announced its fall term starting Oct. 25 to end on Dec. 18. The school is located at 3490 Twentieth Street, near Mission. Courses will be offered in political economy, principles of Marxism, trade unionism, democracy or Fascism, history of the American Labor movement, Parliamentary Procedure, Current Events, and Life in the Soviet Union.

Registration began Oct. 8th. Tuition is announced as \$1.50 per course, with a special rate of 50 cents for unemployed. Office hours are from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. daily. Telephone number is VAlencia 0662.

## 'Extras' Repulse Junior Leaguers

SANTA BARBARA—Militant extra girls were successful October 3 in demanding the removal of society girls who had been scheduled to play extra roles in a picture being "shot" here. Deeply resentful, but affecting indifference, the debutantes stalked off the set when 75 angry Hollywood extra girls appeared before directors and demanded their removal. Members of the fashionable Junior League, the society girls took refuge behind Mrs. R. M. Cameron, president of the league, who termed the whole thing "cheap publicity." She said the league members had taken the jobs only as a thrill and that they would "be glad to have the working girls take their places."

## Teachers' Union Broadens Fight For Tenure Law

In the face of numerous reactionary agencies, the American Federation of Teachers in California, with the unanimous support of the recent convention of the State Federation of Labor in Sacramento, is sponsoring a teachers' tenure bill known as Amendment No. 11 on the November ballot.

Supporting this bill, and pointing out the vicious "joker" in the so-called teachers' tenure bill passed by the last state legislature, the Co-ordinating Committee of California Classroom Teachers, has instituted a campaign for support of the bill at the polls.

Opposed By "Company Union" In a recent statement to the labor press, signed by Anga Bjornson, president, the committee said:

"1. The California Teachers' Association, over seventy-five per cent of whose officers are administrators and not classroom teachers, are actively opposing this measure, without having submitted it to a referendum of the teachers of the state, or even of a single large city like San Francisco.

"2. The California Teachers' Association is the largest teacher employment agency in the state because it is a company union and membership in it is almost compulsory. It reaps immense profit from the firing of teachers, for it collects from every teacher it places a commission of five per cent of her first year's salary.

"3. In the teachers' tenure law sponsored by the California Teachers' Association at the last legislature, a provision was quietly placed making criminal syndicalism one of the causes for dismissal. This is a direct attack on teachers' rights as citizens and on freedom of classroom discussion. It is unjust discrimination, for neither teacher nor any other group of workers should be singled out for special syndicalism legislation.

"4. The Tenure Law passed by the last legislature and advocated by our company union, the California Teachers' Association, has practically robbed California teachers of civil service protection because only one-half of the teachers of California come under its provisions and from that half any legislature can take tenure away. Senators and assemblymen who have vigorously fought civil service for teachers voted unanimously in favor of the California Teachers' Association's 1935 measure.

C. of C. Opposes "The State Chamber of Commerce also opposes Amendment Number Eleven. This amendment definitely solves the tenure problem.

"It guarantees an efficient teacher to every child in city and country alike.

"It gives reasonable protection to every probationary teacher.

"It makes easy the dismissal of every incompetent teacher.

"It safeguards every child from the political spoils system.

"It makes it possible for the teacher to be a home owner and a respected citizen of the community.

"It does all these things for the people of California without costing them one cent.

"The success of Amendment Number Eleven is vital to every worker.

## Health Magazine Sales Increase

With a leading editorial exposing the public health records of the two major parties and candidates, the October issue of the magazine Health and Hygiene is anticipating an unprecedented sale on the Pacific Coast.

According to the distributing agency one news stand in the bay areas has ordered 100 issues, instead of a usual ten. Others are taking similarly increased orders, confident that sales will warrant them.

The editorial shows that Landon's famous "balanced budgets" have resulted in complete elimination of medical social service from most of the counties of Kansas. It shows also the effect of the Republican policy of shifting the relief burden back to the states, which means a further lowering of health standards.

CALLING STEPHEN PEACOCK Stephen Peacock, satirist and occasional contributor to the Western Worker, is wanted in the office of the Western Worker.

## People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.

(Continuing the series on health and illnesses of factory workers written jointly with Dr. Z. Klein.)

### Textile Industry Causes a High Rate of Nose, Throat, Lung Ailments

LET US examine the textile industry, where our working women are employed. Our mothers, sisters, and wives. It's within recent history when all papers reported textile strikes and the arrest and beating of these women for daring to ask for a little more money and some recognition of their rights.

We find in the U. S. Public Health Bulletin No. 207, year 1933, concerning the textile industry: "It is evident that the incidents of sickness is very high. Fifty per cent of sickness of the respiratory condition: colds, influenza, asthma, bronchitis, pneumonia, tuberculosis, and pleurisy."

Weaving, carding, and spinning is very costly to our women folks. This government bulletin gives a higher rate of sickness in the carding rooms and the same report states: "There is a constant rise in sickness rate with length of service." We know then why our sisters are discharged after working for some time. It is evident, then, that their strength being destroyed they must be replaced by other women who are younger and stronger; also doomed to the same fate.

### The Night Workers Are Especially Hard Hit

The night workers in textile industries are suffering more than the day workers. It is hard to believe, but it is so stated in this Public Health Bulletin No. 207, from Washington, D. C.: "The night shift was employed for a twelve-hour day—that is from 6 o'clock in the evening to 7 o'clock the next morning—with an hour off for food. The day shift, for a ten-hour day. It is very hard for these women to work such long hours in hot rooms in the textile plants, losing weight and losing health—'86 per cent with respiratory impairment for night workers and 65 per cent for day workers."

In the weaving rooms our sisters give a high per centage (42%) of chronic nasopharyngitis (inflammation of the nose and throat). Loss of time from colds run very high in the textile industry.

Yes—what of the children born from these Textile workers—robbed of their health, their vital energy? Permit me to quote from the poem by May Beals (contemporary American writer and lecturer):

"Comrades stretched and bound  
In agony on labor's rock we live  
And die—to fatten vultures."

### 150,000 Women in the Laundry Industry Suffer a Variety of Diseases

LET US examine the laundry workers' industry. 150,000 women are employed here, and from authoritative sources, we learn that they work sixty hours a week. (Dr. G. M. Kober.) Bleaching powders are irritants causing eczema. The heat and humidity from ironing and mangling reaches 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The workers are also subject to arsenic and gas poisoning. They suffer from flat feet, varicose veins, rheumatism, nose and throat infections, lung diseases. The right arm especially suffers a great deal, as well as the fingers, from pain and itching. The industry can be made safe and sanitary, but the working women would have to do that themselves.

## Women on the March

By MARY GARFIELD

WELL GALŠ, we've got to start right now, my pronto. Start what? sez you. "Start this," sez I: Scraping lint, no less, scorching rags for dressings for gas burns, and cuts and bruises from thugs' clubs.

Let us organize "ye olde wives" and prepare simples. Why? Haven't you heard? Strikers in Salinas cannot buy any surgical dressings from the local drug stores, and the great hearted medical men of that cesspool of iniquity, Salinas, turn a deaf ear to any request for medical attention.

My little old Ma used to tell me how she scraped lint, using her very tiny fingers, as a wee child in the New York Public Schools, for the soldiers of the Civil War. Surgical dressings were home made things those days. I think she said they used pen knives to scrape with.

Since the high-school boys of Salinas were forced to prepare clubs to bash out the brains of the family bread winner, the high school girls could fill the traditional job of their sex by preparations for healing and patching together the human victims.

It seems a fruitless thing to go through the hell of childbirth, to go through all the pain and agony of it, only to throw it to the lions.

Suppose we shop around a little and find out from which wholesale surgical supply outfits the Salinas bandits buy their stuff. Oh, you can't guess what the next step is, can you? We will blacklist those concerns for some definite plenty long time, and stop buying their output. Further, we will write personal and organizational letters where possible to those concerns demanding that they bring pressure on these small drug stores which they doubtless control, directing these drug stores to supply the strikers with all necessary material.

ONE THING has been established in Salinas, and that is that women are on an equal basis with men on the firing line, for they got the gas in their faces as the men did. There was no discrimination there. The discrimination comes on the pay check, not on the firing line.

Now here's something for you to figure and it's a fast sone. Women get paid less because they are weaker, but they are worked harder for the same reason. That's cute, isn't it? It can be solved, though. The answer is on page 10. Turn to page 10.

It says: Organize! Organize!

LET'S GO HOME and eat. It's almost ready for us. Baked dried Lima beans and pork spare ribs. Last night we soaked a pound of dried Lima beans in plenty of lukewarm water. We drained them this morning and washed them under running water. We put them in a deep pan, or earthen bowl; we seasoned them with salt and pepper and a good sized sliced onion. Over this we laid the spare ribs in as big pieces as we can get for the money in hand. If we had any left-over tomatoes, cooker or uncooked, we added it to enough water to cover the beans well. About two inches above the beans. We let it bake very slowly about an hour or an hour and a half. These beans vary quite a bit in their cooking time. When we come home tonight, we'll pop it in a hot oven for half an hour, uncovered, to brown and take on a little style. Keep the beans well covered with water until tender. You can use lamb breast, too.



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## SOVIET UNION OPENS THE WAY TO STOP FASCIST ASSISTANCE TO THE SPANISH REBEL BANDITS

**Threatens to Stop Neutral Position If Hitler And Mussolini Do Not Cease Violation; Portugal Implicated**

With the evidence of flagrant Fascist violations of the Spanish neutrality pact before the world, the Soviet Union is reported through regular press services to have issued a statement that unless these violations stop it will consider itself released from any obligation of neutrality.

What is the meaning of this Soviet statement, which the capitalist press reported as an ultimatum?

Since the Soviet Union could have assumed in advance that Hitler and Mussolini would violate their solemn pledge why did the Soviet Union agree to neutrality in the first place?

These questions are particularly important, since every effort is being made in imperialist camps to picture the Soviet Union as a war provocateur. At the same time Trotskyite provocateurs are aiding the Fascists by demanding that the Communists immediately break up and disrupt the People's Fronts in France and Spain and that the Soviet Union precipitate a war by immediate armed intervention in Spain.

**Blum's Dangerous Compromise:** Proposed by Premier Leon Blum of France, this pact assumed all countries signing would adhere strictly to its terms providing no arms or munitions of any kind would be supplied either side.

In actual fact, it was a dangerous compromise by Blum because both Hitler and Mussolini have demonstrated they have not the slightest regard for any international pacts, except to bind countries supporting peace while they violate them at will to further their drive to war.

Nevertheless, the Soviets adhered to this pact, knowing full well that the alternative would be to enable the Fascists to rally most of the imperialist elements in a war on the Soviet Union. At the same time the Communists opposed and criticized it.

**Pressure in France:** The French Communist Party exerted every possible pressure within the People's Front to have the pact abandoned. Unable, despite this, to change the policy, the Communist Party in France refused to play into the hands of the Fascists by breaking up the People's Front to destroy what barriers have been built against Fascism.

Consistent with their usual treachery, the German and Italian Fascist governments immediately began violations. A New York Times dispatch three weeks ago confirmed what had been freely rumored, that in the Talavera district southwest of Madrid was a fully equipped airbase, with German planes manned by German officers in German uniform.

**Evidence Conclusive:** Documented charges by the Spanish government submitted to the League of Nations showed that Italy and Germany have been supplying war materials to the Spanish Fascists. Portugal's semi-Fascist government has given on its territory as a supply base for the Spanish Fascists, as the avenue through which German and Italian planes and munitions have been brought in to supply the murderers of the Spanish people.

The Communists therefore are making every effort to lead the Democratically minded people into opposition to the Fascists. They opposed and were the first to urge abandonment of the "neutrality" policy, knowing its effect is to tie the hands of peace supporters while the war-mongers continue their ends despite their pledge.

**Gaining Headway:** Events of the past few months have demonstrated the wisdom of this position more clearly than ever before. In France the opposition to neutrality, led by the Communist Party, is gaining headway in the People's Front. In every country the supporters of peace, instead of being led to support the Fascist against a Soviet Union acting in dependently and alone, can see more clearly that the Soviet Union is the main organizer of World Peace.

The strong statement of the Soviet Union, demanding a stoppage of violations of the pact with the alternative that the Soviet Union will abandon neutrality, brings this role even more clearly to the foreground.

**Will Commission Aid?** The Fascists double-dealing stands out to the world in their answers to the Soviet note. Hitler's foreign office made no attempt to answer the charges, resorting to the time-worn charge that the Soviet Union is responsible for the events in Spain. Portugal's representative could only resort by branding the note "an act of hostility," making no denial.

The neutrality commission

meeting in London now has a clear and widely understood obligation to curb the Fascist aid to Spain. Otherwise the friends of peace in all countries have a clear case to act on their own.

## Why Workers Try For High Output In Soviet Union

By Aleve Stakanov (Famed Soviet worker, who founded Stakhanovism)

MOSCOW—When, a year ago, I achieved my first record output in the Central Irmino Mine, now named after Stalin, it did not seem to me that I had done anything unusual. I thought it was something which is done by workers of our country every day. But it proved otherwise.

My production record was seized upon by others, and inspired by Stalin, my honest attitude to labor became a mighty movement.

This year I have received many letters from foreign workers, most of them from miners in Britain, France and the United States, asking me how I work, about my daily life and labor, and what has impelled me to attain high labor productivity.

**For My Country:** I answered that I strove for high output because I knew that was working not for a private owner but for my country, a country of which I felt one of the masters.

I realized that the more coal we produced the more rapidly would the great program for creating a new, Socialist life be accomplished.

These were also the ideas that brought into being Stakhanovites in the plants and collective farms of the USSR.

My living and working conditions are good. My hours of work are short, and I do not feel particularly tired when I finish.

**"Happy Position"** I have not only a good home and good food, but my family is able to spend from 200 to 300 rubles a month on literature and visits to the theatre and cinema. I am not the only one in this happy position; all other Stakhanovites in our Kadyevka District live equally well.

Recently I have been busy giving instruction. I go down the mine and show my mates how to work so as to raise labor productivity.

I am now studying a great deal preparing to enter an industrial academy. I hope to meet the second anniversary of the Stakhanov movement as an academy student.

## LECTURER SAYS NAZI RAVINGS MEAN WAR

SAN FRANCISCO.—Hitler's anti-Soviet and anti-Communist ravings "border on a mania that can have only one outcome—war," declared Dr. Walter Moritt, in a lecture here last week on the Commonwealth Club business and professional group.

"The statements fear war and are preparing for it with feverish haste," said this European commentator. "But they fear evolution more. What we see is not alone nation against nation—the 'haves' against the 'have-nots.' It is more ominous than national and racial war. It is Fascism vs. Communism."

Moritt gave it as his opinion that "the outlook is that Fascism will win but at a terrible cost." He said that Hitler "wants war—not with France and her neighbors, but with Russia."

## Hitler Builds Nazi War Machine

BERLIN.—Pushing for a war of robbery and aggression, the Hitler government announced the formation of eight new army divisions and provided for increase in its "labor corps" to 300,000 men.

The Nazis also decreed building up of a "labor organization" for women toward an eventual compulsory status.

## ONE FOR PEACE—ONE FOR WAR



THEY'RE BOTH GENERALS, but there the comparison ends between K. VOROSHILOV (left), Commissar of National Defense for the Soviet Union, and EMILIO MOLA (right), murderous Fascist leader in Spain. The leader of the U.S.S.R. Red Army stands for the maintenance of world peace, for defense of the land of Socialism against Fascist aggression. Mola stands for the worst reaction, for cooperation with Hitler and Mussolini against democracy, for war.

## Spain Republic In Appeal To People Of United States

Appealing to all friends of democracy and enemies of Fascism, representatives of the Republic of Spain addressed the following appeal to the people of the United States:

"The People's Front of Spain, defending the lawfully established Republican government against a military insurrection, is fighting for Law, Democracy, Freedom and Human Rights to preserve the gains won through the ballot by the freely expressed will of the people."

"Engaged in such a struggle we hope for the world-wide sympathy and support of all peoples animated by the same political principles."

The document is signed by Dolores Ibaruri, better known as La Pasionaria, Communist deputy from Asturias; Antonio Lara, of the Union Republican Party, former Minister of Justice; Luis Recosens Siches, of the Union Republican Party, professor of law at Madrid University; Miguel Gonzalez, metal worker, secretary of the cultural committee of the 5th Regiment; Antonio Moreno, bank clerk; Marcelino Domingo, president of the Left Republican Party; Jose Salmeron, secretary of the Left Republican Party; Luis Sarasola, Catholic priest and well-known writer; and Fidon Hernandez, metal worker, wounded at the front.

## Friends of Spanish Democracy Formed In New York City

NEW YORK.—"To arouse the widest possible support for the democratically elected government of Spain against the Fascist revolt," the Friends of Spanish Democracy has been set up at 70th Fifth Ave., New York City, with Bishop Robert L. Padlock as chairman and Dr. Frank E. Manuel, former Harvard lecturer, as secretary.

The committee will expose lying propaganda against the Spanish government and will raise money for Red Cross activities.

## Ex-Hollywood Fink Now A Fascist For General Franco

TALAVERA DE LA REINA, Spain.—Another living proof that the Spanish Fascists have gathered up the scum of the earth to fight against the legal government of Spain, is one "Baron" Carl von Haartman, former staff officer of the Finnish army, who used to train extras in Hollywood to act like soldiers for the movies.

Brutality and cruelty against the people of Spain, is not a new thing for Haartman, who took a leading role in the bloodbath administered to the Finnish people back in 1918.

So when the Spanish Fascists started their "putsch," Haartman offered his services as military aid to General Franco—free of charge, he claims, although his past record indicates that this Fascist likes to be paid for his murders.

Haartman has organized his own band of cut-throats from Foreign Legionnaires.

## Arab Leader Joins Anti-British Fight In Palestine

JERUSALEM.—Fawzi Bey Kawkazi, famed for his skill in campaigning against the French imperialists in Syria in the past, has joined the Arab nationalist movement to fight against British oppression in Palestine.

Smuggled across the border, Fawzi Bey is rallying the Arab tribes to revolt against British imperialism, which has broken all its promises to the Arab people.

## Leave Science Alone, Nazis Warned

DRESDEN, Germany.—Unless the Nazis leave science alone, they will wreck it, warned Dr. Ferdinand Sauerbruch, famed German surgeon.

"Science will fulfill what is demanded of it on condition that it retains its freedom and independence in its work," said Sauerbruch.

## WHY HITLER WANTS WAR OF ROBBERY

**U.S.S.R. Possesses A Tremendous Wealth In Resources**

MOSCOW.—Why Hitler wants to launch a war of aggression against the Soviet Union, why the Nazis want to get possession of the wealth in the Ukraine and elsewhere in the U.S.S.R., was revealed here when Ivan Gubkin, chairman of a research council, stated that only 37 per cent of the territory has been prospected and yet known reserves of coal, iron, oil and other natural resources are greater than those of any other nation in the world.

**New Discoveries All the Time:** Gubkin reported the following known reserves as of last January 1st:

Coal—1200 billions tons, or 500 per cent more than was known at the time of the 1917 revolution, and placing the U.S.S.R. second only to the United States.

Oil—3200 million tons, 30 per cent of the world reserves. Ferrous metals—rich iron ores, 10,612 million tons; iron ore, 45 per cent of iron, 260 billion tons.

**Vital Elements:** Manganese—three-quarters of the world's deposits. Copper—17 million tons, 16 per cent of world deposits, fourth among nations possessing copper reserves.

Lead—4,460,000 tons, 11 per cent of world reserves. Zinc—9,630,000 tons, 19 per cent of world deposits.

Nickel—Rich deposits not yet completely surveyed, in Biava, Aktubinsk, Kola peninsula, unknown before 1917. Only Canada has large nickel reserves in addition to these.

Gold—second only to Transvaal, South Africa. Bauxite—21,650,000 tons. Apatite—two billion tons, placing the Soviet Union in first place in the world.

Phosphorite—60 per cent of world deposits, enough to supply entire world with phosphorite fertilizers.

## 'Private Hicks' To Be Played At Recreation Center

SAN FRANCISCO.—The schedule for the production of "Private Hicks" by Albert Maltz, and "Waterfront 1934" by Carol Beals and her Dance Group, being presented by the new Theatre Group of 1609 Pine St., is changed owing to the fact that the fire department prohibits the use of that theatre for productions until it is fireproofed.

The program will be presented at the Union Recreation Center on Saturday, October 17th and Sunday October 18th. The Friday production is cancelled.

## OFFICE WORKERS COMMEND C.I.O. EFFORTS

DENVER.—Office workers here denounce suspension of C.I.O. for attempting to carry out industrial organization in accordance with decisions of previous conventions of the American Federation of Labor.

## WAR MASK



If the Fascist powers are successful in unleashing war, this apparatus, which looks like an ancient death mask, will become necessary for every living person as defense against poison gas attacks.

## Hollywood League To Expose Nazis

LOS ANGELES.—For the purpose of exposing Nazi activities in the United States, a huge mass meeting has been called by the Hollywood Anti-Nazi League for the Defense of Democracy, October 20th, at the Shrine Auditorium here with Dr. L. M. Birkhead of Kansas City as the leading speaker.

Mayor Frank L. Shaw has accepted an invitation to disassociate himself publicly from the pro-Nazi meeting which he attended September 13th in Hinderberg Park, and at which Dean Cromwell, U.S.C. coach, was said to have praised Hitler's anti-Semitic policy.

Attorney Gifford Cochran, who has just returned from Germany where he attempted to aid Lawrence Simpson, American seaman recently railroaded to prison by Nazi courts, will also speak.

Lewis Browne, prominent author, is to be chairman of the meeting, and Eddie Canto\* will have a place on the program.

## Spanish Defenders Need Supplies

MADRID.—Snow is already falling in the mountains where the future of Spain—and of world peace—is being decided.

The troops defending the capital of Spain need warm clothes, medical supplies and machine tools. Friends of freedom in America can perform no more important service to all that is worthwhile in life than to give funds or furnish supplies to the collecting agencies and centers in the U.S.

Foreign mechanics of all kinds, too, are urgently needed.

## LEMKE NOT ON BALLOT

SACRAMENTO.—The Coughlin-Lemke Union Party of Fascism won't be on the ballot. Petitions seeking to qualify the party fell nearly 100,000 short of the required 118,040 signatures of registered voters. Thousands of names were no good because precinct numbers were not marked.

## UNION SENDS ACCURATE NEWS OF ANTI-FASCIST REVOLT OF PORTUGUESE NAVY SEPT. 8TH

**Rebellion Expressed Portuguese People's Hatred of Salazar Dictatorship; Sailors True To Tradition**

Accurate account of the rebellion in the Portuguese Navy that broke out on September 8th, is carried in a news release from the International of Seamen and Harbor Workers.

The revolt broke out at 7:30 a. m., aboard the advice-boat Alfonso de Albuquerque and the torpedo-boat Dao in Lisbon harbor, with all the lower deck crew of both ships and part of the non-commissioned officers taking part.

As soon as the officers were overpowered by the men, both ships opened fire on the coast batteries. The latter replied and several shells hit the decks on both ships, causing heavy damage. Twelve sailors were killed and about 20 seriously wounded.

The damage to the ships prevented the carrying out of the sailors' plan to take their ships out of the river port of Lisbon. They were forced to surrender, and both crews were arrested.

**Hostility to Fascism:** The rebellion of the sailors expresses the growing hostility of the Portuguese people against the Salazar dictatorship, particularly in the navy, and further the people's condemnation of the criminal attitude of the Fascist Salazar government in aiding the Spanish Fascist revolt.

True to the grand tradition of the seamen of Kronstadt, the French sailors of the Black Sea Fleet, the Sailors of Kiel, Cattaro and Spain—immortalized in the annals of the revolutionary movement—the Portuguese sailors have carried through a heroic action that will rouse an echo and have an irresistible influence on the republican masses in Portugal.

## RICHTER GETS ASYLUM IN MEXICO

NEW YORK.—Otto Richter, 21, anti-Nazi refugee, has been granted permission to enter an asylum from Nazi oppression, according to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.

Richter, who will leave with his American-born wife within a few weeks, was beaten up by storm troopers the night of the Reichstag fire and hid in Germany for four months. In November, 1933, he fled to the U.S., jumping the S.S. "Ester" in Seattle.

He was arrested in a vigilante raid during the 1934 general strike in San Francisco and held for deportation, charged with being in this country "illegally." Local union before being put into effect.

## SIT-DOWN STRIKES

United Rubber Workers of America, after a discussion at their convention at Akron, sanctioned the idea of "sit-down" strikes provided they were approved by the executive board of the National-wide protests stopped his deportation to Germany.

In other words, the Fascist nations are being driven toward war by their acute financial and social crisis at home, and hope to solve their crisis by a war of robbery.

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# March of Socialism in the Soviet Union

Preparations are going on in all parts of the Soviet Union for the Eighth All-Union Extraordinary Congress of Soviets which will open in Moscow on November 25th to consider the new Soviet Constitution, the most democratic people's instrument in the history of the world.

District congresses are convening in the various republics and provinces. The Fifth All-Kirghizian Extraordinary Congress of Soviets will take place in the Kirghizian Republic of the U.S.S.R. on November 5th. In Soviet Armenia, the Ninth Extraordinary Congress of Soviets will be called on November 15th. The Sixth Special All-Turkmenian Congress of Soviets in meeting in Ashkhabad on November 12th.

In Vinnitsa Province, the Ukraine, 1500 village soviets reported upon their work at meetings attended by 93 to 95 per cent of the electors.

## Stakhanovism's Victory

MOSCOW.—Higher production through mastery of technique in industry and agriculture—the Stakhanov system—has brought tremendous results in its first year of operation.

One indication is seen in the large increase of state savings bank deposits. Total deposits reached 3,251,000,000 rubles on September 1st, first anniversary of the Stakhanov movement, including new deposits during the

past year of 1,158,000,000 rubles as against 668,000,000 rubles of new deposits during the previous year.

These deposits by Soviet workers and collective farmers represent earnings over and above what they need to live on.

**U.S.S.R. Leads:** LENINGRAD.—The Soviet Union is now the world's largest exporter of platinum, stated D. M. Kolmanovsky, chairman of the All-Union Industrial Export Trust.

"The Soviet Union and Canada are the world's leading producers of platinum," said Kolmanovsky. "The industrial importance of platinum is increasing from year to year, with its ever-wider application in a number of industries, particularly in the chemical industry."

MOSCOW.—Henri Cochet, famous French tennis star, recently demonstrated his skill here in practice sets with Gulyayev of Moscow and Kudryavtsev of Leningrad.

## New Air Line

MOSCOW.—Arrival of the Soviet Ant-9 plane in Prague recently, marked the official opening of the Moscow-Prague air line.

The Soviet flyers were met at the civil airfield by officials of the Czechoslovakian government and air line.

A Czechoslovakian airplane left Prague for Moscow the day following the arrival.

"Tom Sawyer" in U.S.S.R. KIEV.—"Tom Sawyer," Mark Twain's classic, which is as dear to the hearts of Soviet children as it is to the children of the United States, is now being made into a movie here by the Ukrainian Film Studios.

This classic of boyhood on the Mississippi is so popular with the children in the Ukraine that hundreds of them besieged the studios to apply for the opportunity to bring their favorite characters to life on the screen. Out of 600 youngsters given screen tests, three were selected for the cast.

The broad Dnieper River will do duty for the Mississippi. Soviet artists are preparing original musical background and songs.

Great care is being taken to reproduce the scenes down to the most minute detail; in fact, the studios look like a museum of American country life in the 19th century and contain hundreds of engravings, old books, magazines and newspapers being studied for the production.

Wayland Rudd, American Negro actor, of the Meyerhold Theatre in Moscow, plays the runaway slave Jim.

## March of Socialism

ERIVAN.—Facts and figures reveal the triumphant march of Socialism in Soviet Armenia.

Agricultural land producing grain amounted before the World War to 857,000 acres, in 1919 to 220,000 acres, but rose to 1,097,000 acres in 1935.

Orchards and vineyards cover 55,250 acres, compared with 19,000 acres in 1922.

There are more than 1000 tractors on the collective farms, which include 76.5 per cent of all farmer households.

More than 50 per cent of the land is covered with meadows and pastures for large state cattle farms and other animal husbandry. Collective farms virtually all have dairy farms. The Leninakan packing combine handles 110,000 oxen and 600,000 sheep annually.

Total industrial output reached 145 million rubles in 1935, compared to 1.7 million rubles in 1919. Plants for cyanamide production in Kirovakan, sulphuric acid manufacture in Alaverdy, and synthetic rubber in Erivan are already in operation.

The textile industry is concentrated at Leninakan, with mills of planned capacity of 144,000 spindles. In Erivan is a large fruit cannery with an annual output of 17 million cans.

Metals, especially copper, molybdenum, silver, cadmium and lead, are found in the mountains of Armenia. In Davalu, near Erivan, a large Portland cement plant turns out 2,000,000 barrels every year.



# Workers Disclose Salinas Strike Background and Terror

## TERROR USED TO PASS ANTI-PICKETING ACT

By a Worker Correspondent  
SALINAS.—The Grower-Shipper Association has again instituted a reign of terror against the Salinas strikers. Starting off with three dynamite blasts, which could only have been set off by agents of the shippers, the police arrested five members of the union and attempted to charge them with being dynamite.

After holding them five days, the police released all but a brother named Bill Redner, who was charged with handling explosives and bail set at \$10,000. This brother was asleep in the Labor Temple when the first blast occurred, as many witnesses will testify, and was arrested when he stepped out to find out the trouble.

**Thugs Provoke**  
Sunday night, Oct. 4, a band of thugs paraded through the streets offering to fight anyone. They were closely followed by the Salinas police. When they finally provoked trouble with a bunch of union men 100 police and vigilantes stepped in and started slugging and arresting the union men.

A Hearst camera man was all set and waiting to get pictures. During the scuffle he was dumped, but the scabs protected his camera. This was a riot staged by Hearst with the aid of the scabs and local police.

Monday night a mass meeting was held at strike headquarters at the Poodle Dog Inn to discuss a general strike. A Hearst reporter announced himself. After a cloud of dust disappeared this stooge was picked up off the ground and taken to a hospital.

After a stormy debate, the vote was 139 to 13 to recommend to all unions 48-hour protest strike. The resolution making the recommendation also called for Attorney General U.S. Webb to take over law enforcement in Salinas for the duration of the strike if it is called.

**Purpose of the Dynamite**  
After the dynamiting, the county passed an anti-picketing ordinance. After the stage riot, the city of Salinas passed another anti-picketing law.

These are crude tactics and no longer merely a local issue. The Salinas affair should be exposed not only as a statewide issue, but as a national one. This is a real fascist menace and all class-conscious workers in the trade unions and other organizations should take every possible protest action.

**Official Violence**  
It is not only a strike here in Salinas. A real political issue is at stake. It is a question of whether or not the workers can organize and strike for better conditions without having lawless violence practiced on them by the sworn upholders of the law.

A small group of workers can not fight such attacks as these without help from their supporters throughout the country. The Associated Farmers and other capitalist organizations supporting the shippers and growers are statewide organizations. The workers can also help on a statewide scale.

**Telling Mr. C.C. Smith Where He Gets Off At**

COMPTON.—C. C. Smith, owner of the large Smith market here, last week caused the arrest of a number of workers who were picketing his store in protest against the sale of the scab-made Franco bread.

When the pickets were immediately released, Smith issued orders to his employees to "work over the picket line if it forms again."

Several of these employees stated that if Smith wants any pickets beaten up, he had better try it himself.

**Pomona Grange Hits Amendment For Civil Service**

SANTA ROSA.—The Pomona Grange of Sonoma County voted opposition to the constitutional amendment on the November ballot, which calls for civil service rating for city and county employees, on the ground it would "deprive citizens of the American right to elect their own municipal and county officers from time to time, and also of the right to compete for such offices."

In its resolution, the Grange pointed out that the amendment would mean many of the present elective officials such as the tax collector, recorder, auditor, treasurer, county clerk, sheriff, coroner, and county superintendent of schools would hold office at the pleasure of an appointed civil service commission.

## Filth From Dumps Menacing To Workers' Health

By a Worker Correspondent  
SALINAS VALLEY.—A visit through the homes of striking workers who make their living in the lettuce and beet industry would cause anyone to go into a rage.

This article is written after a visit through "Little Oklahoma," "Hollywood" and other areas where workers sleep and eat after laboring for the kings of Salinas Valley, the valley that is known as the "richest valley in the world."

**Flies Courtesy Growers**  
I brushed the flies off a small baby's eyes, and the sight gave me such a feeling I almost vomited. The eyes of the baby were matted with yellow pus and the flies seemed to be well fattened. Any reformist or group who want to help clean up these conditions should come here and get to work.

They will find that the flies breed and come from the Grower-Shipper Association's dumping what are called culls around the workers' homes. These culls are the slimy heads of lettuce not fit for use and the leaves trimmed off the others. They can't be sold, so they are dumped by the workers' homes.

**No Sewer System**  
No sewer system exists and this also helps the flies to multiply. The city officials do not bother with these minor details. They are too busy trying to break the strike.

In Salinas the heads of these families are fighting a desperate battle to hang onto even what living conditions they have.

The workers here are getting a real political education in this strike. The entire civil government has been used to break it. Mass arrests take place daily. Strikebreakers patrol the city night and day illegally arresting union members. They have the full backing of the strikebreaker sheriff Carl Abbott.

**Let the Liberals Look**  
These official violators of law and order never thought of the underfed children and the unsanitary conditions caused by the growers. They never did anything about establishing sanitary conditions. Now that the unions are trying to make this possible, they take every possible lawless measure to stop it.

How about the "liberal" Chester Rowell of the Chronicle, who poses "impartiality" on the one hand and justifies the lawless acts of the officers of the law on the other, coming down to Salinas and seeing some of these conditions in the homes of the workers. Instead of attacking the Soviet Union where these conditions are eliminated, maybe he could use some of his "indignation" closer at home.

**The Tyranny Is Here**  
Instead of raging in the editorial columns of the Chronicle about "tyranny" which does not exist in the Soviet Union, he ought to do a little investigating of real tyranny closer to home.

Let any sincere liberal come to Salinas and see for himself how much the workers have been receiving in benefits from the huge fortunes they make yearly for the parasites who control the lettuce industry in this richest valley in the world.

**Soviet Union Gives Inspiration To Spain People**

MOSCOW.—"The working people of the world cannot remain indifferent and keep silent," says Pravda, Communist Party organ, in an editorial, "when the fate of the Spanish people is being decided and when the hirelings of Franco are trying to annihilate the free people of Spain with bayonet, bullet, bomb and hunger."

"The brave Spanish people turn their eyes toward the Soviet Union; in our struggle for socialism the Spanish people find their strength, inspiration and energy."

Pravda referred to the money-raising campaign among Soviet women workers to aid Spain.

**SF Supervisors For Increase To 8-Hour Day On PWA**

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Board of Supervisors wants an 8-hour day, a longer shift, on public works.

The Board recommended the longer day to its finance committee and urged amendment of the city's prevailing wage ordinance to permit of the longer working day.

In negotiations, building trade union leaders let the workers down by stating they would not oppose the longer day. Building unions have a 6-hour day clause in their agreements with employers will be exempted.

## DOSS & SHEVLIN FAILING TO LEAD AGAINST BOSSES

By a Worker Correspondent  
SALINAS.—The fruit and vegetable workers of Salinas and Watsonville are putting up a valiant fight in their strike, and they should be able to expect sincere and self-sacrificing leadership.

But actually the leaders of Local 18211 of Salinas are telling a different story by their actions.

A. S. Doss, financial secretary of the local, is widely known to have refused aid from other unions and to have insulted members of other unions, all tending to drive support away.

**Scabbed Twice**  
As a matter of fact, Doss scabbed twice during strikes in the lettuce sheds. Both times he admitted it, but claimed they were "outlaw" strikes, which wasn't true. At one time the members became so disgusted they put out a petition with 600 names on it, asking Bill Green to get Doss a job somewhere else. But he is still here.

A year ago Mickey Shevlin, president of the union, was running around the county with a petition which asked anyone signing it to refuse to pay dues to the American Federation of Labor. He has made several attempts to start company unions, but so far has not succeeded. So far as I know, he has never even given a reason for this. He has been beaten to a staggering bulk by John Barleycorn.

**Pickets Misdirected**  
During the strike one Luke Miller, nephew of Doss, was appointed head of the pickets. His first action was to set up a "red squad" of 75 workers who were misled into spending their time looking for "Reds". The squad has dropped to 25 and even they are getting wise to themselves that this means only disruption while the growers continue to attack the union. The day the strikebreakers came to town Luke sent most of the pickets to Hollister.

In an effort to try to get votes this month, Doss made a political move to get the Watsonville votes by appointing one James Sells to go East to attempt to inform the Eastern Unions about not handling any lettuce from Salinas.

**Not A Lettuce Worker**  
This James Sells has not worked in the lettuce industry except to get a membership card and quit. He has not done a day's work in more than a year. Indirectly he controls the Watsonville unions through stooges. Yet Doss has the guts to send this character back East to represent the union in order to get the votes Sells controls.

**Sells could be seen day and night running open gambling games in the Busy Bee Cafe in quarters are located over the cafe and a member has to pass the game to get into the meeting.**

Anyone caring to investigate will find that these facts are only part of the story. But in spite of it the workers are fighting heroically and will fight to the last man and woman.

It is not surprising that officials with records like these burned copies of the Western Worker and threaten to brand as "Reds" anyone reading it. Yet they never say a word against the scabby Examiner.

**Babies Die From Malnutrition**

LOS ANGELES.—Two tiny babies, only a few months old, were dead here last week as a result of malnutrition, according to County Autopsy Surgeon A. F. Wagner.

Wagner conducted an autopsy after a physician refused to sign a death certificate following the babies' deaths at a West Hollywood maternity home.

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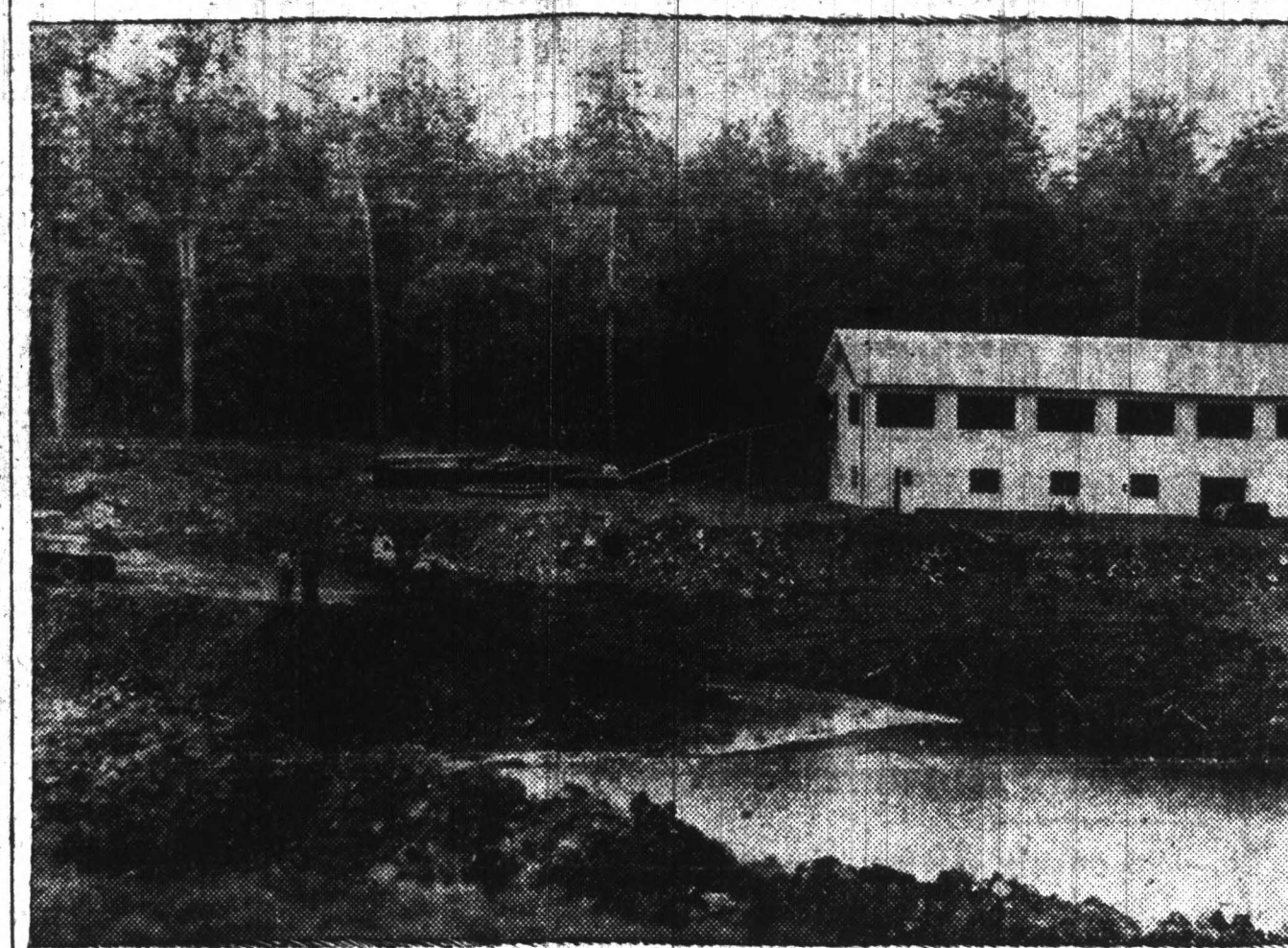
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## HOW HENRY FORD HOPES TO HALT UNION ORGANIZING



THE UNITED AUTOMOBILE WORKERS UNION IS making fast headway in the auto industry. Henry Ford is pushing his scheme to halt trade union organization—the launching of a "model village," under which the Ford employees, after the day's speedup, go home and raise their own vegetables. He figures they'll be too busy to think of unionism.

## Woolworth's Gives Picnic Instead Of Wage Increase

By a Worker Correspondent  
SAN FRANCISCO.—Woolworth's Stores are showing how much they appreciate their employees' services. Of course, the company won't allow, if it can prevent it, the retail clerks and culinary workers to organize in a union.

So Woolworth's had a picnic. Games and Sports events. Prizes for the winners.

Generous of the company, these prizes. Of course, Woolworth's didn't pay for them. Woolworth's merely sent out a letter to the manufacturers and wholesalers with whom they do business, asking them to contribute the prizes.

Loyalty to the company. A good time was had by all. But don't mention wages and hours. That wouldn't be a fine spirit.

## Winters Hit For Approving Cops

By a Worker Correspondent

SALINAS.—E. E. Winters, secretary of the Monterey County Central Labor Council, offered his resignation at the council meeting at the meeting Friday night, Oct. 2.

Winters has been on the spot so far as most union members are concerned, because he issued a statement to Governor Merriam whitewashing the vicious and illegal activities of the state highway police in the Salinas strike.

**"Gentlemanly" Indeed**  
He gave high praise for the cops "efficient and gentlemanly manner" claiming that they prevented bloodshed and absolving them from all complaints. He added as an afterthought that "We do not believe the presence of the patrol was necessary at this time" evidently trying to get clear of any later charges against him.

Winters has also done all he could to prevent a general strike being called.

**Made Mistake**  
Confusion among the delegates prevented the acceptance of the resignation. It was claimed that putting him out now would leave the labor movement without leadership in a dangerous situation.

## New Committee Set Up by Canners In Alaska to Enforce the Agreement Made With Employers

By An Alaska Canner

We got together all of the men who were really trying to see that the bosses and the owners were to be made to toe the line and abide by the agreement. The first thing we decided was to jerk the three delegates who would not act, and replace them with men who would.

Our argument was that the two who would act were stumbling along with the load of the three who would not. All dead weight. Charges were to be placed against a second cook who did nothing but boil the water for the coffee and heat water for the dish washers, and who incidentally had a pretty racket on the S. S. Glacier on the way up.

**Proposed Solution**  
We thought our troubles were over if we could replace the delegates, break the second cook and demand an explanation from the first cooks and the bosses.

With these proposals worked out, the choice of delegates was brought up. None of the men present cared to take the job, feeling as though they were not capable of carrying on. We made them feel that they would receive the support of all of us, and our guidance.

At last one was selected from the Negro section, of whom there were about 45, and two from the English-speaking white workers. With the two Spanish workers remaining on the committee, this made it two Spanish, two English and one Negro.

About this time the alarm was set calling the men to the first meeting that was about to convene, so we all filed over to the mess room.

**The Case Presented**  
Brother Barola was elected chairman and the meeting was under way. The men approved of the agenda with one or two trivial additions. When the point on complaints was reached, I asked for and received the floor, citing a whole series of abuses we suffered at their hands. They were accused of gross negligence of their duties as delegates, indifferent to the welfare of the men whom they represented and of refusing to assist the other two delegates in their many attempts to improve the quality of the food, with the

## WPA Foreman In Gun Mystery

LOS ANGELES.—Why does Timothy T. Hartnett, foreman on the WPA Ballona Creek project, carry a gun?

This remained a mystery here, even after Hartnett dropped an unloaded gun on the floor as he approached Supervisor Roger Jessup during a Board of Supervisors' meeting last Wednesday.

Leaping out of his chair, beside himself with fright, Jessup shouted, "Hey, where are you going?"

Hartnett looked blank for a moment, then picked up the gun and put it in Jessup's trembling hand. Questioned later, Hartnett was found to carry a loaded gun as well, but he produced a gun permit and said he carried it for self-protection. The unloaded gun he said he intended to sell.

Hal Moore, secretary to Supervisor Leland Ford, said he knew Hartnett but would not call police and instead took the man home.

Both Jessup and Ford are arch-reactionaries.

backing of the rank and file.

I made a motion to dismiss them. The delegates were ousted by a good margin. About two-thirds voted with us.

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## NEWSPAPER GUILD CONFERRING WITH BAY AREA MANAGERIES

SAN FRANCISCO.—While supporting the Seattle Post-Intelligencer strike morally and financially, the Northern California Newspaper Guild is at the same time carrying on negotiations with the major newspapers in the bay area to reach agreements.

Hearst's Examiner and Call Bulletin, the San Francisco News and Chronicle and the Oakland Post-Enquirer have entered into conferences. Progress, but without definite agreements as yet reached, are reported on all newspapers.

The Pacific Reporter, organ of the Guild, reported in its October 9th issue that the Examiner unit has made a counter proposal to the management that it will consider a per-day pay basis provided time and a half is paid for all over five days or time beyond 40 hours per week. The management said it would answer this Oct. 12th.

The negotiations committee is making the five-day week the paramount issue. It has received assurance from the management that union activity is allowed, although previously an Examiner executive was quoted as saying to a new employee, "Two things I won't stand for, drunkenness and union activity."

The Examiner's proposal for a per-day wage was apparently calculated to get around the principle of the five-day week. Another Examiner proposal for a low minimum wage scale was unanimously rejected by the committee.

The Guild organ reported that in the Chronicle the Guild represents the majority of the editorial employees with the unit increasing.

## JOBLESS HEADS BACK BROWDER-FORD TICKET

Twenty-eight leaders of the organized unemployed in 17 states have organized a national committee to campaign for the Communist presidential ticket of Browder and Ford.

Herbert Benjamin, who has led two national hunger marches on Washington, is head of the committee. In California, Alex Noral, state organizer of the Workers' Alliance and member of the national executive committee of the Alliance, and Pat Calahan, Los Angeles County organizer of the Alliance, are members of the Browder-Ford Committee.

## Whistles Up \$5 For C.P. Election Fund

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## Pedro ILA Raises \$1250 for Salinas

LOS ANGELES.—Harry Sherman, Central Labor Council president, reported that the San Pedro International Longshoremen's Association had assessed each member 50 cents for the Salinas strikers and had already sent north \$500 and about \$750 more would be sent in a week or more.

A mass meeting in support of the Salinas lettuce strikers was voted down by the Central Labor Council here after Secretary J. W. Buzzell declared it "very foolish" to hold such a meeting. Although Buzzell spoke against holding a mass meeting he voted in favor of the motion! Council delegates commenting upon Buzzell's action stated it was an old trick of the secretary.

If the vote had been in favor of a mass meeting Buzzell would have organized his machine and rescinded the former action," said one delegate.

On a motion by Gillette of the Musicians, definite action was to be taken by the unions with in the next week to raise funds to assist the strikers.

The International Ladies Garment Workers reported \$69 had been raised for the lettuce strikers.

## See Weeding Out In WPA Interviews

LOS ANGELES.—Although the State Employment Service and the United States Employment Service both denied here that politics of belief will enter into the personal interviews of the 50,000 unemployment relief job holders which was ordered recently by the Federal Progress Administration in Washington, there was no denial that this classification would be used to weed out workers who protest discrimination, bad working conditions and low pay on county and Federal projects.

**What's Behind It?**  
Just how far-reaching and to what the full purposes behind the move to reclassify the information on file about relief workers really means could not be learned in the offices of Arthur E. Green, Los Angeles County head of the combined State-Federal service.

It was reported that the interviews will be made by a staff of forty or fifty employees of this office, with about 30 per cent of these persons formerly in the employ of WPA and the others to be taken from the U.S.E.D.

That these interviews carry considerable significance was indicated when it was learned that all appointments to the interviewing staff, while made here, must be sent to the Washington office of the service for scrutiny before approval.

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# Vicious Blacklist System Is Aim of Shipowners In Demands

## ILA Shows How Employers Aim To Smash Unions

Exposes Meaning of "Neutral Persons" For Hiring Halls; What Proposed Penalty Clauses Mean

This is the concluding installment of the statement of the I.L.A. in regard to its position on negotiations and arbitration on the agreements. This statement was issued to the press as a whole.

As stated above, the employers are preparing for a showdown on September 30, when the present awards of all maritime crafts expire. The organizations of the workers are to be smashed, open shop is to be re-established, terror and vigilantism will be resorted to—in fact, has already been used. The leaders of the unions have been threatened; their families are right now terrorized. The waterfront of San Francisco is being flooded with literature vilifying the leaders of the unions. The source of this anonymous literature can be none other than the Industrial Association, the Chamber of Commerce and the shipowners themselves. Everything is being done to break down the morale of the workers, but without any effect whatsoever. Needless to emphasize, stool pigeons are working overtime serving

Another struggle like the one in 1934 would have a far-reaching effect. Every person on the Pacific Coast, in fact every person in the nation, would be affected, the lockout—might take on a national scope. Maritime workers on the East Coast and on the Gulf of Mexico would not stand idly by while their organized brothers on the West Coast were being subjected to the tactics of the shipowners, eventually the police and possibly the National Guard.

If such a lockout should take place, the income of 37,000 maritime workers would cease. Deprived of their income, their purchasing power would be nil. The loss to the small business man who supplies these workers with their daily needs would be enormous. Hundreds of ships are working overtime serving

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THE FORGING OF A TELEGRAM with the name of Harry Bridges is the low level of trickery to which shipowners descend to provoke a waterfront clash. Above, Harry Bridges' telegram nailing as a forgery, the telegram shown beneath, which shipowners' agents sent during a strike on a ship in Honolulu, in an attempt to make it seem as though the I.L.A. was provoking a clash.

their masters, the employers. The La Follette investigating committee would find a fertile field for its activities in the Pacific Coast unions.

### Unions Do Not Seek Rupture

Since attempts have been made by the I.L.A. and other unions affiliated to the Maritime Federation of the Pacific to avoid by all means a repetition of 1934. However, these efforts have been met with rebuff. The employers have definitely stated that as far as they are concerned the present agreements will be scrapped on September 30, and they will then inform the unions under what conditions the unions shall continue to work after that date—an absolute provocative program to throw the industry into turmoil. Agents provocateur in the service of the employers are actively engaged agitating and causing a tie-up of ships in order to create adverse publicity for the unions.

Compare this program with that of the unions. The I.L.A. and other maritime organizations have stated publicly and otherwise, and have informed the shipowners, that the conditions of the present award should be adhered to beyond the expiration date, September 30, pending arrival at a new working agreement. However, these overtures on the part of the negotiators of the seamen have not made the least impression on the big of the shipping industry.

on the Coast, laden with commodities waiting to be unloaded by workers who have been comparatively prosperous during the past two years since the termination of the strike of 1934. Many were wounded and killed in that strike by the police, and no one desires a repetition.

Employers are shaping their program in direct conformity with Fascist principles. The reactionary political machines of the various cities and states along the Coast will be oiled up and made to function on the basis of the employing class. These plans have been carefully and painstakingly discussed and laid in their meetings.

The picketing ordinance is to be invoked in San Francisco and other ports, and "citizens' committees" are to be organized. Realizing that the 1300 police of San Francisco may be insufficient to take care of the strikers, the National Guard is to be called out as soon as possible. Everything will be done to impress the administration in Washington and force Roosevelt to the right, and charges of Communism against the unions will be the order of the day. Terror will be instituted against the workers; at the same time the workers will be accused of creating this terror to which they are being subjected. In the parlance of the waterfront, they'll get us coming and going.

It may not be amiss to repeat for the benefit of the reader that

## LOUISIANA-ARKANSAS STRIKE MAY SPREAD TO OTHER LINES, IF THEY AID STRIKEBREAKERS

Public Mass Meetings Repudiate Harvey Couch's Raw Methods and Many Shippers Start Boycott

SHREVEPORT, La.—So openly raw are the strikebreaking methods of President Harvey Couch of the truck Louisiana and Arkansas Railroad and the Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas, also struck, that many shippers have withheld their patronage from the roads since the strike began.

Arrest and jailing of Couch's armed thugs and repudiation of his methods by public mass meetings in Louisiana and Texas are features of the strike in the past few days.

The strike continues strong, with communications between certain points at a standstill.

Strike 100% Effective  
The strike may spread to other lines. For instance, the "Katy" lines allows the truck roads trackage rights and Couch has asked for the use of "Katy" engines as pilots for strikebreaker-manipulated trains. That means the "Katy" may be struck.

The strike is 100 per cent effective among engine and train service men.

## CIO Not Rebuked By Machinists

The resolution adopted by the Machinists International convention, recently held in Milwaukee, isn't a defeat for the C.I.O.

It is thought by some locals that the resolution permits districts and locals to take whatever steps they see fit to "bring about a satisfactory solution" to the present controversy in the A.F.L.

Many of the locals and districts of the Machinists have protested the CIO suspension.

The resolution adopted at the convention follows:

"Whereas the organized labor movement today is facing the greatest crisis in its existence due to the suspension from the American Federation of Labor of a number of International unions who constitute more than one-third of the membership of the American Federation of Labor, and

"Whereas a lasting split in the organized labor movement would create the most bitter strife in the metal and machine industry which is bound to result in checking the progress of the International Association of Machinists in organizing the unorganized; and would result in lowering the wage standards and working conditions of our present membership achieved through years of strenuous efforts and sacrifice, and

"Whereas through preserving the unity of organized labor and by joint efforts of all international unions can the thousands of potential members of the International Association of Machinists in the machine and metal industry be organized; therefore be it

"Resolved, That our delegates to the A.F.L. convention do everything in their power to bring about a satisfactory solution to the present controversy in the American Federation of Labor and thereby assure unity in the ranks of organized labor."

the workers in the maritime industry on the Pacific Coast do not desire a repetition of the 1934 struggle. They have their organizations, which are controlled democratically by the membership—which is another objection the employers have. Employers like to do business with "good unions"—unions that are controlled by reactionary officials from whom the membership will take orders. However, the men are determined to resist to the last ditch any attempt by the employers to smash their organizations. Organization has given the maritime worker a voice in the general scheme of things—an organized voice—to which the employer must listen. To offer these organized workers conditions which would make them peons is not showing good faith nor common sense.

On behalf of the Publicity Committee Pacific Coast District International Longshoremen's Association,

HARRY BRIDGES,  
President Pacific Coast Dist. I. L. A.

HARRY SCHMIDT,  
Publicity Committee, I.L.A.

## EASTERN AND GULF FIREMEN HIT BOSS SPIES

Resolution Shows Part In Frameup Of Earl King

NEW YORK—Solidarity isn't just a word in the dictionary for the maritime unions. When there's a frameup, as against King, Conner and Ramsay on the Pacific Coast, then support comes from all coasts. Witness this in the following resolution adopted by a membership meeting of the Marine Firemen of the Atlantic and Gulf, headquarters branch:

WHEREAS, There exists evidence that paid agents of employers are active in fomenting strife, disorder and violence in California Unions, and

WHEREAS, These agents of employers act as spies within the Unions, joining the Unions only to further the interests of employers to the detriment of organized labor, and

WHEREAS, Brothers Earl King, Secretary of the Pacific Coast Marine Firemen, Oilers and Watertenders and Wipers' Association; E. C. Ramsay, former patrolman; and Frank J. Conner, member of that Union, are accused of the murder of George Alberts, and

WHEREAS, There exists evidence that Brothers King, Ramsay and Conner are unjustly accused at the instigation of employers' spies, and

WHEREAS, These accusations reflect on the good name of organized labor, and

WHEREAS, The United States Senate has appointed a special committee to investigate the activities of employers' spies in trade unions, and

WHEREAS, This resolution was passed unanimously by the San Francisco Central Labor Council, Friday, September 11, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Marine Firemen, Oilers' and Watertenders' Union of the Atlantic and Gulf, is hereby instructed to telegraph Senator Robert La Follette, Chairman of the Senate's Special Committee, at Washington, D. C., and request that the Committee to California to investigate the activities of spies in California trade unions.

## Santa Fe Bus Co. Union Trimmed

LOS ANGELES.—Company unionism has gotten it in the neck once more! The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen won hands down in elections for representation for bus operator employees on the Santa Fe Trails Stages, Inc.

Petition for the election was filed by the Trainmen in July, 1936. Officials of the National Labor Relations Board conducted the elections.

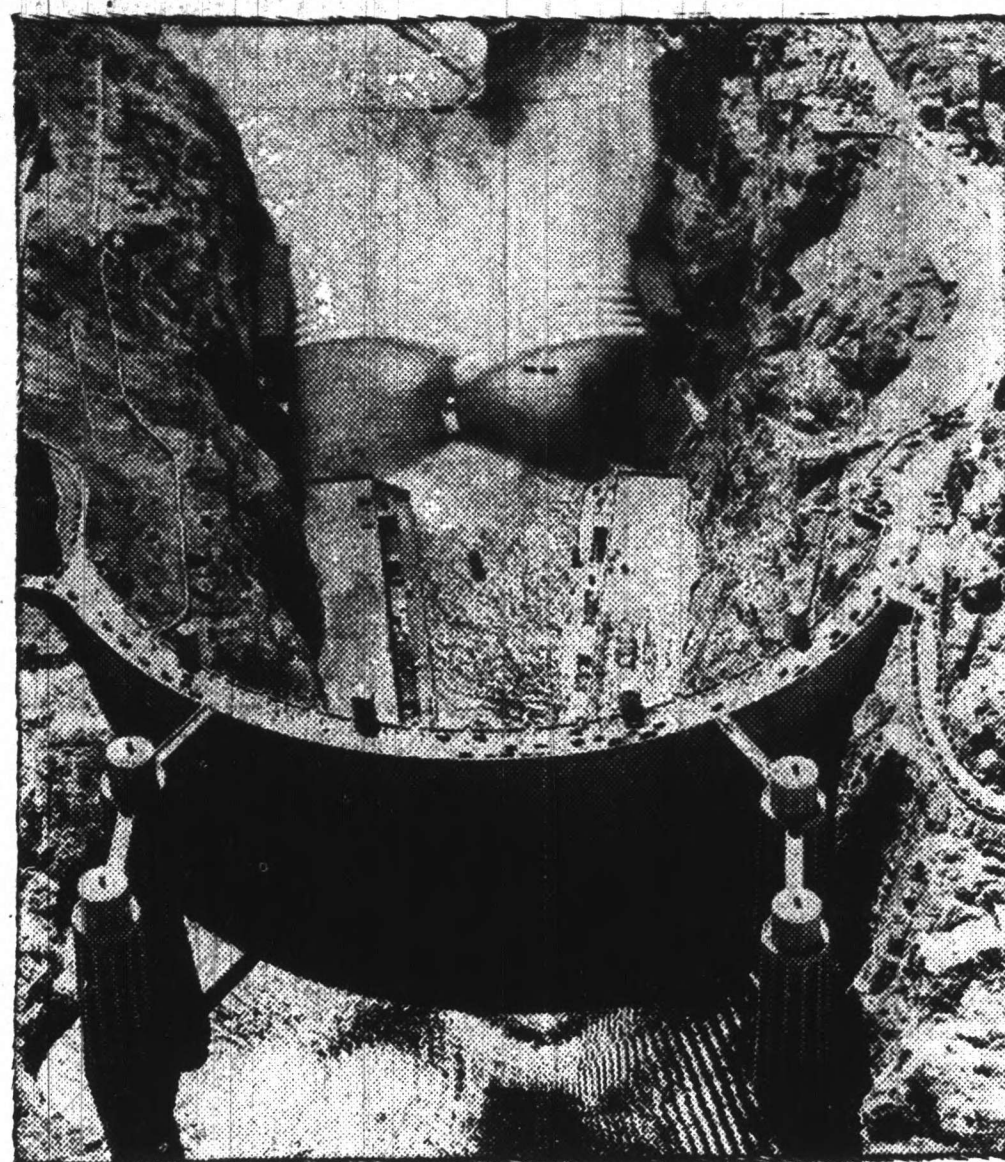
The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen is now certified as the representative in collective bargaining for all the Santa Fe Trails Stages bus operators.

## I.L.A. Charter For Hawaii To Be Installed Soon

SAN FRANCISCO.—The I.L.A. charter for the Hawaiian Islands, voted at the last I.L.A. West Coast convention in San Pedro, will be granted in a short time. Bill Craft of the Seattle I.L.A. will go to the Islands to install the charter.

The longshoremen have been building their union at Hilo and other points steadily.

## ACHIEVEMENT—AND EXPLOITATION



A SECTION OF BOULDER DAM near completion. The dam is a great scientific achievement, but there is a sordid side to the story of Boulder Dam. Oakland tunnel workers know the Six Companies outfit. That's the same chiselling contracting bunch that got a lion's share of the Boulder Dam job, and they robbed the Boulder Dam workers right and left. Several strikes were called against its gyping ways on Boulder Dam.

## San Diego Cooks and Pressmen Hit CIO Suspension

SAN DIEGO.—Two San Diego locals—the Cooks and Waitresses, and the Printing Pressmen, have added their weight to the giant wave of protest against suspension of the C.I.O. unions.

The Cooks resolution, condemning William Green, passed without a dissenting vote. The Pressmen's resolution was also adopted unanimously, and the international was asked to send William Green a similar protest.

## M and M Finds Red Herring Is Indispensible

LOS ANGELES.—J. Stuart "Preserve the Constitution" Neary, tricky general counsel for the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, laid down a barrage of lies against union labor and the Communist Party recently before the Lions' Club at its weekly "coffee and" in the salesmen's paradise, otherwise known as the Biltmore Hotel.

Neary all but wept as he told of the poor truck drivers that have to carry union cards in the harbor area to "protect their lives and homes against the beef gang of the teamsters' union."

Neary is a charlatan, but he is a clever one. And this he demonstrated on the innocents that comprise the Lions' Club. Not that he used any new or especially profound lies—it was his method of delivery. But no matter how well-dressed his presentation, it was the same old "red herring" and it smelled as bad as ever, or would have to anyone but a Lion.

The "Red Herring"

First he heaped abuse on the Communists, and when he thought he had persuaded his audience that they all had red beads, knives in their teeth and their pockets full of bombs, he proceeded to "show" that they had gained control of the unions, and that, therefore, the unions were Communist and should be fought to the death if honest business men were to save their homes and wives and daughters from the Red hordes.

He said that the Communists had driven the good old conservative unions leaders from their posts and had replaced them "with avowed alien Communists, like Harry Bridges, who (believe it or not) got into the union by the rank and file movement."

Now the Lions saw the whole fiendish plot—"the rank and file movement, eh?" Sluggish eyes brightened, fat bodies stirred—"the rank and file movement, eh?"

Neary was finishing his tirade against labor: "...and back up the law enforcing agencies that are trying to see that things are done under the American and constitutional principles." Tumultuous applause.

N. Y. TRUCK DRIVERS WIN  
Fifteen thousand New York City truck drivers have won a 10 per cent wage increase and an agreement on the part of the Merchant Truckmen's Bureau to negotiate on working conditions. Consequently, a strike threat has been withdrawn.

## UNION POST OF LEGION HITS USE IN STRIKE

Hits Organization Acting Against Trade Unions

LOS ANGELES.—Members of organized labor who are also American Legion members, are not going to stand for the American Legion being used by its officials for strikebreaking purposes.

Union Labor Post 352 got alarmed when it read of reported vigilante activities by the Legion against the Salinas strike. The Union Labor Post wrote state leaders of the Legion to find out what truth there was in the charge against the Legion.

State Adjutant Tom Wise denied that the Legion itself took part in vigilante activities but didn't deny that individual Legionnaires took part.

A resolution adopted by the Union Labor Post shows the determination of union men in the Legion not to stand for the organization indulging in vigilante activities, but the resolution fails to make it clear that union men in the Legion must fight against even individual Legionnaires acting against organized labor. This is a serious necessity.

Part of the resolution reads: Resolved, That Union Labor Post No. 352, 17th District, Department of California, The American Legion, hereby urges the Department Commander to send a personal message to all sheriffs of all counties in the state giving the American Legion stand in all matters regarding Labor disputes as set forth in our National Constitution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department Commander send a letter to the managing editors of all prominent newspapers of this state outlining our policy as above set forth, with the request that this policy be published in the earliest issue possible, so that the citizens of this state may be properly informed as to the attitude of The American Legion with regard to all Labor disputes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department Commander send instructions to all Posts urging them to use all possible caution in connection with disputes between capital and labor; and be it further

Resolved, That the adjutant of this Post be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Los Angeles County Council, The American Legion, with a request that it be referred to the proper committee for consideration and action thereon.

## Photo Engravers Fight Oakland Open Shopper

OAKLAND.—The Photo Engravers Union is keeping up its battle against the notoriously non-union Ritchie Engraving Co. The company, for its failure to comply with union rules, has gone on the unfair list. The "Shopping News" of the Bay Area is one of its customers and needs union pressure.

## SAN PEDRO SAILORS AROUSED AT MOBILIZATION OF HEAVILY-ARMED POLICE AGAINST UNIONS

Start Movement For Collective Protest To Los Angeles Mayor; Recall Movement Possible

SAN PEDRO.—The terror being prepared against the maritime workers in case of a struggle with the shipowners was hit sharply in a resolution adopted by the San Pedro branch of the Sailors Union of the Pacific last week.

The facts in the resolution speak for themselves. The resolution follows:

WHEREAS: Four hundred police armed with tear gas, guns and clubs were prepared, at the instruction of the Mayor of Los Angeles to move into San Pedro in the event of a lockout, and

WHEREAS: This action constitutes a subtle attempt on the part of the mayor to institute a reign of legal terrorism against the workers, such as was done in Salinas, without the declaration of martial law, and

WHEREAS: It is the duty of the mayor of Los Angeles, as a publicly elected official to observe strict neutrality in all disputes between workers and employers, and

WHEREAS: By the aforementioned action the mayor of Los Angeles has clearly proven that he intends to use Fascist strong arm tactics in an attempt to smash the ranks of the Maritime Federation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the S.U.P. go on record as vigorously protesting this brazen attempt of the mayor to use the Los Angeles police force for strikebreaking duty, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Sailors Union of the Pacific, San Pedro Branch, take immediate steps to elect a publicity committee to contact all Los Angeles Labor unions and progressive organizations to obtain a collective protest to the mayor of Los Angeles, so that in the event the mayor refuses to abide by his duty as a publicly elected official a recall movement can be started against him.

## They Learned About Salinas

LONG BEACH.—Labor in the southern part of the state is getting a good first-hand picture of the terror against the Salinas strikers.

Four representatives of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union headed by Ann Fritz and "Daddy" Hunt have been touring southern cities and appealing for funds for the strikers, from labor bodies.

Miss Fritz told the Long Beach Labor Council how the growers and shippers association recruited gunmen from the jungles to augment the seab herders furnished by the detective agencies of Los Angeles and how they were given guns and gas bombs and clubs which the high school students were forced to make.

She exhibited a gas bomb which was shot into the Labor Temple while a county supervisor was addressing a group of workers. She also told that medical aid of any description was refused strikers or members of strikers' families by the police, and upon orders of the police by doctors and drug stores.

She explained that spirits of ammonia is the only antidote for the poisonous gas fumes but that drug stores and grocery stores of Salinas were ordered to withdraw from sale all ammonia, so as to make it impossible for those gassed by the gunmen to get any kind of relief.

## More Locals Hit Landon Labor Aide

SHEBOYGAN, Wis.—Furniture Workers Local 1131 of the carpenters condemned Intl. Pres. Hutcherson's G.O.P. activities for Alf Landon, suggesting that he retire temporarily without salary or expenses while he is trying to snare labor votes for the Hearst-Liberty League candidate for President.

KENOSHA, Wis.—Carpenters Local 161 wants Intl. Pres. Hutcherson to take leave of his office, salary and expense account during the time he is campaigning for Landon as the G.O.P. labor chief.

## THE ANSWER IS TO FORM FARM-LABOR PARTY

Unions Can See That In Action of Long Beach Council

LONG BEACH.—Organized labor got a new lesson in the need for its own independent political party, when the city council refused to instruct the city prosecutor to bring in an ordinance repealing the anti-picketing law.

With a request for repeal of the anti-picketing ordinance, John C. Crail, president of the Long Beach Central Labor Council, H. E. Caskie, secretary, and J. C. Coulter of the Oil Workers appeared before an executive session of the city council.

The city council took no action on the request and later Carl Fletcher could not even find one councilman to second his motion to instruct the prosecutor to the above effect.

## Sugar Strikers Need This Aid

TRACY.—Holly Sugar Workers Union members have been heartened considerably in their long battle with the Holly Sugar Corp., by the following support of the San Joaquin County Central Labor Council.

The Council, from Stockton, addressed this appeal to all central labor councils and to all state federations:

"The Holly Sugar Corporation, selling beet sugar all over the United States under the name of 'Holly Sugar,' has been placed on the official 'We Don't Patronize' list of this council, the Stockton Building Trades Council and the California State Federation of Labor.

"There has been a strike on at the Tracy, California, plant since October 17, 1935. The management refuses to deal with the union and letters sent to Mr. Wiley Blair, president Holly Sugar Corporation, First National Bank, Colorado Springs, Colorado, have brought no results.

"We request that your council and affiliated unions write the president of this corporation and request that they get right with organized labor, and we also request that the widest publicity possible be given in the labor press so that all union families and their friends will refrain from buying the products of the unfair Holly Sugar Corporation. They own sugar refineries in Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, and California.

Thanking you for your cooperation, we remain,  
Fraternally yours,  
Central Labor Council of San Joaquin County,  
(Signed) By R. D. Wilson, Secretary.

## Getting Toward 100pc Union Town

LONG BEACH.—Local after local gets up to report steady growth in membership, at the Central Labor Council here.

At one of the last meetings the Barbers reported four initiations; the Operating Engineers seven; the Machinists and Auto Mechanics eleven.

The latter have 100 per cent organizations in Pedro and Wilmington. All auto fender men at Long Beach have joined the Machinists Union.

It looks like Long Beach itself will be almost 100 per cent union soon.